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

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WITH GOD.

PROV. 3:6.

BEGIN thy day with God;
He is thy sun, thy day;
His is the radiance of the morn;
To him address thy lay.
Take thy first meal with God;
He is thy heavenly food;
Feed with and on him; he with thee
Will feast in brotherhood.
Take thy first walk with God;
Let him go forth with thee;
By stream, or sea, or mountain path,
Seek still his company.
Thy first transactions be
With God himself above;
So shall thy business prosper well,
And all thy day be love.
Through life, in all thy ways,
To him thy thoughts be given;
So shall he be thy portion here,
And bring thee safe to heaven.

—Selected.

A WISE USE OF OUR TALENTS.

IN the parable of the talents, the servant to whom were entrusted five talents traded upon them wisely, and in the day of reckoning was able to return double this number to the Master. The one also who received two talents, doubled these. But the man who received only one talent, hid it in a napkin, and buried it in the earth. When the master returned

and reckoned with his servants, the sentence pronounced upon this slothful servant was, "Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents."

To every man and to every woman God has given a work for him. He has not given to all the same work. Some have a greater number of talents than others have. God's children are to use their talents according to their several ability. Those who have five talents should faithfully put them out to the exchangers. To those who have two talents the Lord says, "Trade upon your talents, using and improving them to my glory."

THE ONE TALENT.

Those who have received only one talent (and to each is entrusted at least one), should resolve by God's grace to use it wisely. Instead of burying it, say: "Though I have but one talent, I must make the most of it. I will be faithful in the little things; for the Word declares, 'He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much.' I will use to the very best advantage that which is given me. I will not waste one jot of my powers in indulging appetite or in gratifying pride of appearance. In my family I will strive to be a faithful parent, teaching my children to be honest and truthful, kind and

patient, and training them for the future, immortal life. By God's help, I myself will try to be all that I desire my children to be; for in speaking of his disciples, Christ said, 'For their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified.'"

My brother, my sister, if you have buried in the earth the one talent entrusted to you, I beseech you to improve it before God inquires, "What have you done with the talent that I gave you?" Thank him that he has manifested his great love to you by entrusting you with even one talent. By word and act show that you appreciate this gift, and that you regard it as a treasure of greater value than anything else you possess. Put your talent out to the exchangers.

THE TALENT OF SPEECH.

The power of speech is a precious possession, given us by the Master to be used in blessing our fellow beings. In using this talent aright, we honor him. But we dishonor him by using the gift of speech to tell of our discouragements and to magnify our trials. We need stronger faith, more perfect trust. How changed would be our experience if the time we spend in repining were spent in beholding Jesus, and in telling others of his love! Then our words would be profitable. Then we should offer to

God thanksgiving instead of complaint. Then we should have no inclination to talk about our trials, so filled would our minds be with the thought that we are receiving abundant blessings.

THE TALENT OF MEANS.

Often the talent of means is laid away, hidden and unused. Money lying idle in banks is regarded by the Lord as a buried talent. God desires his followers to use the talent of means in his service. We should do our part in helping to carry forward the different lines of his work in all parts of the earth. A great work is to be done in the cities. Camp-meetings are to be held in many places. Those who have means may multiply their talent by using it to help support laborers in proclaiming the message of truth for this time. When through this instrumentality some one is led to accept the truth, our talent is doubled. And when this convert brings others into the truth, there is still further increase of talents. Those who double their talents in the work of saving souls, bring joy to the angels and call forth songs of praise from the heavenly choir.

THE REWARD OF FAITHFULNESS.

To him who uses aright his one talent, as well as to the wise steward of many talents, the Master will say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord." The well-doer is not rewarded in proportion to the number of his entrusted talents, but in proportion to his faithfulness in using wisely that which he has, and the unselfishness of the motive that prompts his efforts.

Dear reader, God desires to use *you* in his service. There is a place for *you* to fill in this world. For no other purpose does he entrust men and women with talents. If you are faithful in filling the place he desires

you to fill, he will work in your behalf, and you will see of the salvation of God.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

A LETTER FROM EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND.

To Our Brethren and Sisters in Vermont.

ABOUT ten months have passed since we left the shores of America for Great Britain, sent by you to carry the message that we love to this people. Since that time I can truly say that the Lord has been with us, and our hearts are made glad that we ever were willing to step into the opening that your love for the perishing souls in the fields beyond, gave to us.

When we heard from Brother Cottrell the needs that he saw over here, our hearts were moved as they had not been for a long time; but as we are here and for ourselves see the need that really exists, we can testify that it was no fable that he told us, rather I bear witness to the fact that the condition that does exist is far worse than anything that was told to us.

Far from wishing to return, we are now so burdened with the crying needs of this field that we can only praise the Master for giving us the privilege of remaining.

When we left Vermont we had no thought of Scotland, but were praying that He who had led us in the past would still place us just where we could best serve him. It was decided that we were to stay in Scotland, and I believe that this is God's will. Strange as it may seem to us, I nevertheless believe that there is no more national feeling, nor as much, against an American here as there is against an Englishman. So we are at an advantage over even one from the South of this field. The people here are very reserved, and as they say, "canny." But the truth is of the Lord, and we are glad to report to you that the Word of Life is going

here, and the experiences this summer are reminding us of some of the experiences in the States. The tent that we received as a gift of the New York Conference, with the seats from New England, and the men from Wisconsin and Vermont—representing a wide area—is being well filled each night, and the prospects are that there will be some good results from the effort that is being made.

At Kirkcaldy, where the tent is, a place of about sixty thousand, we have started a Sabbath-school with a dozen members; and when we get through the tent season, there will no doubt be a great many more. Here in Edinburgh, the capital of the country, a place that is said to be the most difficult in the country, because of the traditions that hang about it, and because they are so diffident and reserved, being bound up in their university and the settled faith of their ancestry, the work seemed to open up so slowly that we were at a loss to know what steps to take. But within the past few weeks the tide has turned, and the Lord has been giving us tokens that cheer our hearts. Our little Sabbath-school, that was composed of the families of Brother Miller and myself, and numbered seven, now has grown to number seventeen, and others are coming in. Last week two were with us keeping the Sabbath for the first time, and to-day two more began, which will make our number nineteen.

So the Lord is working, and though we are handicapped for workers in the field, and it seems as though we are not able to do aught that should be accomplished, still we can press forward, knowing that there is going to be much more done than we are now aware of. We can see the Lord working in the canvassing line. When I tell you that out of a membership in the country of perhaps seventy souls, counting children and all, we have at work in the field fully one-half of that number, nearly all of whom

are giving all their time to the work, you can see what can be done when all believe that a knowledge of the truth calls a man to the actual sowing and reaping in the field. Why can this not be done in Vermont? It helps us, too, in the ministry; for the fact is that there is not fifteen per cent. of the tithe paid in that does not come from those that are in some branch or other of the message. The others think they are too poor, or else they are not in the fulness of the message. So we are finding work for all that come into the truth. Some sell the *Present Truth*, our British paper; it sells for two cents, and moreover they sell enough to keep their families. One brother has a wife and three children, and sells enough to make from seven to eight and a half dollars a week. It means work, brethren; but tell me, in the light of eternity, do you think it pays?

We are selling books at the rate of about five hundred dollars a week, and we believe this will show great results when the King gathers his jewels.

Now a word or two about the field itself. We can hide away all the people in Vermont in this one town, and have a fair-sized city of one hundred and twenty-five thousand left. Then there are hundreds of other towns that number from twenty-five thousand to one million one hundred and twenty-five thousand. Just think of it, brethren, fifteen times the population of Vermont! and for it all, one ordained man, one licentiate, and four Bible workers and a State agent. Are you sorry that you gave one to Scotland? I know you are not, and believe that you will stand by the work with greater zeal than ever before. Truly the Lord has blessed you in that move. When will you stand ready to go still further? The field is ripe and the laborers are so few. We can put fifty laborers into cities larger than the largest in your State, and not begin to cover the ground.

We are simply overwhelmed at the thought of the work that must be done, and we can but turn our eyes toward the home land and pray that they will heed the Macedonian cry and send us help. We realize that a great deal has been done, but ere the loud cry can be said to go to the whole world, there must be far more done than ever before.

Our need at the present time, besides men, is for means to enter the large cities. As you know, when we go into a place numbering from several hundred thousand to a million and a quarter, we have to meet hall rents that are very high; advertising must be done; we must let the people know that we have a message that is the greatest thing that the world has ever had given to them; the only message that will save them from the hellish snares that at present are being multiplied to lead men away from God. This costs money and means, great care and earnest consecration. We are not able to do the work that is at our hands because we have no means in the treasury. We are supplied with the salaries of the men in the field, but have to raise as our part of that far more per member than is asked in the States or at least, more than is paid in in the States, so that all we can do is to raise the amount of the wages. Thus we are handicapped for the means to open up in the cities. There may be those who would like to aid in that line. Think over it, brethren and sisters, and consider the cause in the light of perishing millions. Any help so given can be forwarded to your State secretary, and will be sent directly to us from the office.

Physically, the Lord has been very good to us. We are all well and strong. Though this is a damp atmosphere, we find ourselves increasing in weight and are ready for the burdens of the message, for we are trusting him who has promised to be all in all.

I should be glad to tell you of the many interesting places that are everywhere about us; places of great historic interest; tragedy and romance continually impressing our minds; but we can not take your time now for that, but as we continually pass the home and church of John Knox, when we go through the old Grass Market, where so many gave up their lives for the sake of their conscience, willingly suffering for their Master, we can not but feel that these Scotch are among the noblest of earth's people, and that the Lord will certainly cause his truth to shine brightly here, where in the past so many beacons have given a signal to the world.

We are glad that we are here, and only ask that you will stand by the cause here, realizing that this is your work, and that when in a little time the Saviour will come, there will be souls saved as the result of the sacrifices that you have made. May the Lord bless you richly with his grace, and cause each to have such a knowledge of his love in the soul, that we may manifest that love to those who sit in darkness. Brethren, pray for us.

Your brother in the blessed hope,
WM. A. WESTWORTH.

A CARD OF THANKS.

THE undersigned hereby wish to return their most hearty thanks to the friends who so promptly came to their rescue last Friday afternoon, and rendered such efficient service in extinguishing the flames. Their kindness will long be remembered.

A. F. GUSTIN,
MRS. R. E. GUSTIN,
ALMA GUSTIN.

SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

Local Mean Time.

1903.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
Sept. 4....	6:31	6:29	6:27
Sept. 11..	6:19	6:17	6:16
Sept. 18..	6:07	6:06	6:06
Sept. 25..	5:54	5:54	5:54

The FIELD

NEW YORK CHURCH, NO. 2.

THROUGH the kind courtesy of the Kennedy family the Sabbath-school of New York church No. 2 held an enjoyable outing at their grounds, "Caswell Academy," Hunt's Point, on Labor Day, September 7. There were also members present from the other churches in Manhattan and the Bronx, which made us realize "how sweet it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Two souls were buried in baptism, Elder C. H. Edwards officiating.

And not the least important feature of the outing was the fact that Captain J. L. Johnson came along with the yacht "Sentinel" and very kindly took some of the party for a sail on the sound, which we take for granted was appreciated by all who went, there being no reports of seasickness, and the weather during the whole voyage (about a half an hour) being delightful. We hereby tender our hearty thanks to Captain Johnson and Elder C. H. Edwards for his presence with us, also to Sister Kennedy and family, and we earnestly pray to our heavenly Father that he may be pleased to restore her to health and strength in the near future, and ask the prayers of God's people on her behalf.

R. H. MARTIN.

KINGSTON, PA.

ON September 1 we took down our tent in Kingston, Pa., and the next day Brother Ned Ashton, who was a great help to me this summer, left for a brief visit with his parents near Pittsburg, Pa., before resuming his school work at Mt. Vernon, Ohio. He also took a young man, one of our new converts, with him to the school. May the blessing of our God be with our dear young people as they fit

themselves for places of usefulness in the work of the Lord.

Last Sabbath we buried thirteen dear souls with their Lord in baptism in the Susquehanna River. A number of others are keeping the Sabbath as a result of our summer's tent effort, who we hope will ere long make a covenant with their blessed Lord by baptism.

There remains much work yet to be done in Kingston. To God be all the praise for what has been done.

S. S. SHROCK.

POULTNEY, VERMONT.

ABOUT the middle of July we opened our little tabernacle for services, to proclaim in Poultney the last message of mercy this world will ever hear. The people here are mostly pleasure seekers, and are very much afraid of the "new doctrines" that they were warned against by their pastors in their Sunday morning sermons. Accordingly, most of them kept away from the tent; and we began to visit them at their homes, endeavoring to interest them in our books, tracts, and papers, and in Bible readings when opportunity offered. As a result of this systematic visiting, some prejudice was broken down, and the attendance was somewhat increased. Night after night a few listened with interest to the stirring message for this time.

Three weeks ago Elder Purdon presented the Sabbath question, and soon after started for camp-meeting, leaving Brother Pike and myself in charge of the meetings, and to follow up the interest. My mother is also with us canvassing. The whole village was astir on the Sabbath question. We could hear the words "Saturday," "Sunday," etc., as people conversed along the streets. Our posters were torn down; and some persons, apparently failing to see us, "passed by on the other side."

In a few days this general commotion

subsided; a few people began to come to the tent and to open their doors for Bible readings to hear for themselves what we have to tell them. The interest is increasing, and we have all we can do in the line of Bible work, though, generally speaking, people are afraid of the tent.

Two souls have decided to obey the Lord, and several others are weighing the matter. Many persons are interested in Bible readings who have not yet heard much about the Sabbath. Our courage is good, and we believe the Lord has a people in Poultney.

EVA A. JENKS.

HARLEM TENT, NEW YORK CITY.

WE are glad to report in regard to the work that is being done in this neighborhood through the power and Spirit of God. Our tent, forty-eight by twenty-four feet, was pitched on the 17th, and the first meeting held on the 19th of August. The devil has been up in arms against the work from the night we started, and has been wary in his advances, using every means whereby he may stagnate the effort, and thus impede the progress of the kingdom.

We have had repeatedly to thank our God, not only for his watchful care over the tent, but over our lives, which have been miraculously preserved from the heavy missiles hurled at the tent and us by the human agents of Satan. But thank God notwithstanding these difficulties, and the seemingly forsaken locality, a lively interest was aroused which crowded the tent to our satisfaction until the Sabbath question was presented, the kernel of the third angel's message.

Nevertheless, we are not discouraged, because we have already seen the power of the truth on two souls who have begun to keep the Sabbath; and many others are halting in the valley of decision. We beg that those who pray will remember

our work, and invoke the blessing of God upon it.

J. H. CARROLL,
J. K. HUMPHREY.

REPORT OF THE VERMONT CONFERENCE.

THE forty-first annual session of the Vermont Seventh-day Adventist Conference, was held in connection with the camp-meeting at Randolph, Vt., August 20 to 30, 1903. The first meeting was held Friday, August 21, at 10 A.M., the president of the conference, Elder J. W. Watt, presiding.

Of the nineteen churches of the conference, fourteen were represented at this session. Those not represented were Middlebury, Richford, Troy, Weston, and Woodbury.

At the opening meeting Elder Watt gave an address speaking of the prosperity of the work during the past year, the increase in tithes and offerings, the progress made in clearing off a portion of the indebtedness in the tract and missionary department, the canvassing work, and the unity and spiritual associations he had had with the conference committee. The Sabbath-school department and medical work received proper mention in this address, and progressive work recommended for both the home and foreign fields as far as this conference was concerned. A good letter from our worker, Elder W. A. Westworth, of Scotland, was read and much appreciated by all who heard of the prosperity of the work in which we feel so much interested.

The chair was empowered to appoint the usual committees which were as follows:

Committee on Nominations: L. W. White, A. E. Taylor, E. H. Dana, A. D. Ladeau, M. F. Cram.

On Resolutions: Elder H. J. Farnam, Naomi L. Worthen, Elder T. H. Purdon, F. M. Dana, Rubie Roscoe.

On Credentials and Licenses: W. E. Fortune, A. D. Ladeau, H. C. White.

On Auditing: H. C. White, H. C. Lamberton, M. F. Cram, W. E. Barrows, E. H. Dana, H. F. Litchfield.

The resolutions passed at this session are as follows:

1. In view of the many blessings that have attended the work the past year in the home field, in Scotland, where Elder W. A. Westworth has been, and in our Union Conference academy, where another of our laborers has been employed, we would express our heartfelt gratitude and thanks to God for his kindness to us; also because of the increase in the tithe and offerings; therefore,

Resolved, That we implore that grace be given us to perform more faithfully the work during the coming year.

2. *Whereas*, We recognize the growing interest in the medical work in our conference, and the desire on the part of many for the establishment of treatment rooms and health food restaurants; therefore,

Resolved, That the conference committee be instructed to counsel with interested persons with a view to the establishment of such institutions, to secure physicians, nurses, and competent help and funds for the maintenance of the same; and that said institutions be under the conference management.

3. Recognizing the efficiency and needs of our Union Conference academy, and wishing to continue our allegiance to this department of God's work in behalf of our children; therefore,

Resolved, That we continue our support of one teacher in the Atlantic Union Conference academy as long as the providence of God may indicate.

4. In harmony with the suggestion of the educational department of the General Conference,

Resolved, That we recommend the election of an educational superintendent to work in union with the conference committee in carrying on the educational work of the confer-

ence; such worker to be one now in the employ of the conference.

5. *Resolved*, That we favor the organization of Young People's Societies wherever they can be formed, and urge each church to uphold and direct the work of these societies; also that the Sabbath-school secretaries be encouraged to give such help as may be needed both by correspondence and field work.

6. *Whereas*, Experience has demonstrated the value of the Sabbath-school conventions,

We recommend, That occasional Sabbath-school conventions be held during the year, at the discretion of the conference committee, as will be to the best interests of this work.

7. *Resolved*, That we recommend our people all over the conference to purchase and study carefully the new book, "Education," which the Lord has given us at this time.

8. *Whereas*, God has said that if there is one work more important than another, it is to get our publications into the hands of the people; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge all our people to be zealously active in the selling and loaning of our books, especially "Christ's Object Lessons" and "Education," and in distributing tracts and papers, and that we ask our laborers to instruct and encourage them in this work.

9. *Resolved*, That we approve of the recommendation of the Sabbath-school department of the General Conference that the Sabbath-school officers of each church be elected by the church as a body.

10. *Resolved*, That we recommend that individuals and local churches interest themselves in the financial support of the church schools now established in our midst; that we thank God for the prosperity that has attended this work in the past; and that we gather around these schools to build up and strengthen them, in this way preparing for the establish-

ment of other schools as the way may open.

11. That this conference assume its share of the liability of \$5,000 which the Atlantic Union Conference has undertaken to raise for the General Conference Association; that the amount which we assume be \$350, and that the conference committee undertake to raise this amount as soon as possible.

12. *Resolved*, That all our people in the conference be invited to interest themselves by donating liberally for the establishment of a fund to aid in the support of church schools, and that said fund be used and distributed at the discretion of the conference committee.

13. *Whereas*, There is a demand for more attention to be given to the work of educating and training canvassers in the field; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge the conference at this session to consider the importance of the State agent's work, and of his giving the necessary time to the prosecution of the same.

14. *Resolved*, That we urge all the people in our State to become subscribers to the GLEANER, in order that they may be informed in regard to the work of our conference as well as that about us.

15. Recognizing the success that has attended the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" elsewhere, and whereas Vermont has not fulfilled her obligations in this work; therefore,

Resolved, That we urge all our people to renew their efforts to complete the work assigned us, and thus secure the blessing promised.

16. *Resolved*, That we approve of the recommendation of the General Conference that each Sabbath-school set apart the donations of one or more Sabbaths in the quarter for home use, the remainder to be for the foreign mission work.

17. *Resolved*, That we urge all our churches and isolated Sabbath-keepers to fully carry out the ten-cent-a-

week plan for the support of foreign missions (the ten-cent-a-week is the same as our first-day offerings).

18. *Resolved*, That more attention be given to the auxiliary work of the Sabbath-schools, especially in behalf of the isolated Sabbath-keepers throughout the State.

The above resolutions received due consideration in discussion, and Elder Cottrell gave a full explanation of the conditions relative to resolution number eleven; and it is hoped that those who heard and understood this matter will endeavor to interest those who did not have the privilege of hearing about it. We wish the same in regard to all the other resolutions.

Elder Purdon gave a report of the work in Poultney, referring especially to the building of the portable tabernacle and its efficiency and cost.

The members being so scattered, it was voted to disband the Warren church after letters had been granted to the several members.

Upon request by letter, the Barre church was received into the membership of the conference.

The Committee on Licenses and Credentials gave their report, and ministerial credentials were granted to Elder J. W. Watt, Elder W. A. Westworth, Elder T. H. Purdon, and Elder H. J. Farman; a ministerial license was given to F. M. Dana, and a missionary license to Mrs. Eva A. Jenks.

The conference officers for the year are: President, Elder J. W. Watt, North Wolcott, Vt.; Secretary and Treasurer, F. M. Dana, Burlington; Secretary and Treasurer tract and missionary department, F. M. Dana; Assistant Secretary and Treasurer of this department (for office), Erwin W. Thurber; Sabbath-school department Corresponding Secretary, Miss Lizzie A. Stone, Randolph, Vt.; Sabbath-school department Field Secretary, Mrs. Eva A. Jenks, Rutland; Educational Superintendent, Elder J. W. Watt; Canvassing Agent, A. W.

Boardman, Wolcott; Conference Committee, Elder J. W. Watt, North Wolcott; F. M. Dana, Burlington; A. P. Needham, Vergennes; J. G. White, Jamaica; A. W. Boardman, Wolcott.

The treasurer gave a financial statement of the conference, and also of the tract and missionary department. The tithe for the year ending August 15, 1903, was \$5,079.54

Tithe for the year ending

August 15, 1902, was 4,407.32

or an increase over 1902 of \$672.22

The increase in 1902 over

1901 was \$653.

Tithe on hand and received

during the year, \$5,079.54

Donations to aid in support

of Elder Westworth in

Scotland, 322.00

Total to apply to support of

laborers, \$5,401.54

Paid in support of laborers

for past year, 4,610.92

Balance of tithe on hand

August 31, 1903, \$790.62

The donations received the past year were reported as follows:

South Lancaster Academy, \$81.98

Foreign missions, 83.19

Atlantic Union Conference, 44.55

Annual offerings, 316.64

First-day offerings, 248.75

Scandinavian missions, 34.23

Southern missions, 94.03

Sabbath-school offerings, 248.82

Haskell and James White

Homes, 95.18

Washington church (D. C.); 87.80

English sanitarium, 68.89

Relief of schools, 16.50

International Religious Liberty

Association, 2.00

Missionary Acre, 23.36

China mission, 10.03

Japan mission, 2.00

Australian mission, 225.37

Gold Coast mission, 20.00

Vermont benevolent fund, 81.14

Vermont tent and camp-meeting

fund, 954.27

Vermont debt fund (old debt),	4.71
To aid in support of Elder Westworth,	322.00
Sundry funds,	300.00
Total donations,	\$3,356.44
Vermont funds (used in Vt.),	1,340.12

Used outside of Vermont, \$2,016.32

Funds for the following departments were considered; thus:

Atlantic Union Conference funds,
Foreign mission funds, Vermont tent
and camp-meeting fund, Vermont
benevolent fund, Vermont educational
fund (per resolution No. 12), "Re-
moval to Washington, D. C.," Ver-
mont medical missionary funds (per
resolution No. 2).

As Elders Daniells and Watt are
to give reports as to the spiritual
phases of the work and the camp-
meeting, we leave this department of
the report to them.

F. M. DANA,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Burlington, Vt., Sept. 9, 1903.

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from **HOUSE to HOUSE**"

THE MAN WITH A MESSAGE.

FROM a recent testimony I copy the following statement: "It is an eternal law of Jehovah that he who accepts truth which the world needs, is to make it his first work to proclaim this truth."

The great need of the present hour is for those who have received the third angel's message to recognize this law, to realize that upon them rests the responsibility of giving that message to the world.

It is the man with a message that God has used in all ages. Elijah had a message which the people needed, and he was not afraid to proclaim it before all Israel, even though he had to meet the opposition of the king and queen, the four hundred and fifty

prophets of Baal, the four hundred prophets of the groves, and all the sun worshipers in the land. John the Baptist gave his life to the work of preparing the way for the first advent of Christ. The twelve Apostles were sent throughout Judea to awaken the people by proclaiming the definite message, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand." Later they were sent into all the world accompanied by the mighty power of God to proclaim the gospel message.

This great commission was for God's people in all ages, and at subsequent periods the world was aroused by the message delivered by such men as Luther, Calvin, Zwingle, Knox, Wesley, and other reformers; and later still by William Miller and his coworkers. These men all had a message and they knew it, and they went forth and gave it to the world, and every one knows the result. So it is "the man with a message" that is needed to-day, and it is that kind of men God is calling for, not men who are looking for work simply because they have nothing else to do. God wants men and women who have received this grand old message for themselves, and whose hearts are warm with the love of it, and whose hands are eager to go about the work of giving it to those who know it not. God will cooperate with such workers, and men will once more be "amazed at the mighty power of God."

When all our canvassers *realize* indeed that they have a message which *must* be given to the world, they will not be content to work in the negligent, half-hearted way that some have done, but will devote every energy of their being to the work. And when all our people *realize* that the same responsibility to help proclaim this message rests upon them, and that canvassing for our publications is one of the most important means God is using to accomplish this, it will not be so hard to get recruits for that work as it is now.

"We have the word of God to show that the end is near. The world is to be warned, and as never before we are to be laborers together with Christ. *The work of warning has been entrusted to us.*"

May God help his people to see this, and to take up the work before it is too late.

F. E. PAINTER.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

VERMONT.

—Brother C. H. Porter has connected with Brother A. E. Taylor in the canvassing field.

—Brother E. H. Pierce and wife expect to go to Mississippi, where his father is now laboring in the cause.

—Brother W. E. Fortune and wife have decided to connect with the bindery at South Lancaster, thus the Morrisville church will miss their aid for a while.

—According to the election of officers in the report, you will note that Brother Erwin Thurber, of Montpelier, is to connect with the office work at Burlington.

—Notice that your correspondence in the Sabbath-school work will be with Miss Lizzie A. Stone, Randolph, Vt., instead of with Brother Drown.

—Send your *Sabbath-school reports* to Sister Stone, at Randolph, and all *money to the office*, at Burlington.

—Because of many burdens and necessary work, we are late with our report, but we trust our brethren will consider the items and give glory to God for the prosperity in harmony with resolution number one.

—If any one desires to make pledges or donations to any department of the work, whether at home (in Vermont) or any other place, like "removal to Washington," etc., your treasurer will be glad to receive and

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forward the same to their several places at any time.

—Owing to existing circumstances, your conference committee have asked the writer to spend part of his time in the interests of the work at Randolph, so if any one writes in to the office, please remember the circumstances, and we shall try to do the best we can. This is only for a few weeks at present.

—We are again having a sample copy of the GLEANER mailed to you, so that you may have one of these reports of your State work ; and we hope that you will feel encouraged in the work, and wishing to keep pace with your local conference, will subscribe for this paper at once, if you are not now a subscriber.

F. M. DANA.

Randolph, Vt.

WANTED at once, help for the new health food restaurant in Boston. Address Alex. Martin, 555 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.

NEW TRACT. "The Eastern Question."

"ANCIENT Prediction of the Fall of Turkey and the End of the World."
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WANTED.—A home in a Seventh-day Adventist family for a girl eleven years of age, height about four feet, blue eyes, light hair, complexion fair; mother is dead. Address Central New England Tract Society, South Lancaster, Mass., for particulars.

THE BOOK WORK.

Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending Sept. 4, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
T. O. Saxton, Indiana Co.,		P & P	1	5	2	4.50		4.50	4.50
W. H. Zeidler, Allegheny Co.,		G C	3	11	5	12.00		12.00	9.50
C. E. Leek, Allegheny Co.,		G C		17		25.10		25.10	9.00
W. C. Fleisher, Allegheny Co.,		D & R	5	17	5	14.75	8.25	23.00	10.75
F. A. Evans, McKean Co.,		M M		24					34.00
Totals,	5 Agents,		9	74	12	\$56.35	\$8.25	\$64.60	\$67.75

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending Sept. 4, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. A. K. Lichty, Allentown,		D of A	2	12	1	2.50	8.95	11.45	
W. T. Hilgert, Philadelphia,		G C	5	19	2	2.25	2.89	8.14	9.99
J. H. Albright, West Reading,		H of M	4	20	8	11.50	3.25	14.75	
C. F. Mahr, York Co.,		C K	5	31	10	10.00	1.75	11.75	7.50
Totals,	4 Agents,		16	82	21	\$29.25	\$16.84	\$46.09	\$17.49

New England Conference, Week Ending August 28, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Cora A. Spencer, Worcester,		D of A	2	12					115.50
Mrs. E. S. Chase, New Boston,		L G	2		1	3.00		3.00	8.25
*E. W. Fraits, S. Manchester, Ct.,		Misc		19		6.25		6.25	13.75
Totals,	3 Agents,		4	31	1	\$9.25		\$9.25	\$137.50

*Two weeks.

Vermont Conference, Two Weeks Ending August 21, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. E. Taylor, Holland,		D of A	5	44	10	32.00			
" " Brownington,		H of M			3	3.75	.75	36.50	24.25
A. E. Loveland, Montgomery,		C O L	4	28	10	12.50	9.50	22.00	
C. H. Porter, Newbury,		C O L	5	22		3.75	2.50	6.25	6.25
C. E. Perry, Ferrisburg,		C O L	5	27	8	10.00	1.75	11.75	51.73
Totals,	4 Agents,		19	121	31	\$62.00	\$14.50	\$76.50	\$82.23

Week Ending Sept. 4, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Rubie Roscoe,									49.50
K. Loveland,									23.75
Totals,	2 Agents,								\$72.25

Union Conference Totals*	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
13 Agents,	39	228	52	\$97.75	\$46.48	\$144.23	\$284.93
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
27 Agents,		442	182	\$395.75	\$182.00	\$577.75	\$194.80

*For Week Ending August 28.