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

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THE THOUGHT OF GOD.

THE thought of Thee, above, below,
Around me and within,
Is more to me than health and wealth,
Or love of kith and kin.

It is a thought which ever makes
Life's sweetest smiles from tears,
And is a daybreak to our hopes,
A sunset to our fears.

Within a thought so great, our souls
Little and modest grow,
And, by its sweetness awed, we learn
The art of walking slow.

The wild flower on the mossy ground
Scarce bends its pliant form,
When overhead the autumnal wood
Is thundering like a storm.

So is it with our humbled souls
Down in the thought of God,
Scarce conscious in their sober peace
Of the wild storms abroad.

—Faber.

THE believer is the God-filled, the God-moved, the God-possessed man; and the work which he effects in the world is not his, but God's through him.—Meyer.

"THE ancient Hebrew believed that health, wealth, long life, and happiness were the results of obedience to the laws of God. The experience of many centuries has shown no surer way than this to the attainment of these blessings."

A WORKING CHURCH.

A LIVING church is a working church. The precious light of Bible truth, like a lamp that burneth, is to shine forth from every church-member. God will use his believing ones as his instrumentalities; through them he will minister to souls fainting for the bread of life. Words of hope and cheer falling from lips that have been touched with a live coal from God's altar, will revive and comfort those who are weary and distressed.

Time is precious. The destiny of souls is in the balance. At infinite cost a way of salvation has been provided. Shall Christ's great sacrifice be in vain? Shall the earth be entirely controlled by Satanic agencies? The salvation of souls is dependent upon the consecration and activity of God's church. The Lord calls all who believe in him to be workers together with him. While their life shall last, they are not to feel that their work is done. Until the time comes when Christ shall say, "It is finished," his work for the saving of souls is not to decrease, but is to grow in extent and importance.

The mercy of God is shown by his long forbearance. He is holding back his judgments, waiting for the message of warning to be sounded to all.

There are many who have not yet heard the testing truths for this time. The last call of mercy is to be given more fully to our world.

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Many more of the lay members, if consecrated to God's service, could give the warning message of mercy to the multitudes who are not acquainted with the truth for this time. All around us there are souls perishing in sin. Every day there is something to do for the Master.

Every Christian is to let his light shine forth in good works. His words are to magnify our Lord Jesus Christ. Instead of waiting for great opportunities before doing anything, he is to do the work lying nearest him. Thus he will increase his talents and gain a preparation for wider service. Wherever he is, there is his field, in which he is earnestly to show forth in word and deed the saving power of truth. He is not to wait to see what others do. He has a personality of his own, and he is responsible to Christ, whose servant he is, for every word and act.

God's people would put on joy and gladness as a garment if they would only receive that which he is waiting to give them,—that which would make them strong to help those in need of help. Our people need the breath of spiritual life breathed into them, that

they may arouse to spiritual action. Many have lost their vital energy, and are sluggish, dead, as it were. Let those who have been receiving the grace of Christ help these souls to rouse to action. Let us keep in the current of life that comes from Christ, that we may impart to others. Healthy, happy action is what is needed in the church to-day.

OPEN DOORS.

In the service of God there is work of many kinds to be performed. In the service of the temple there were hewers of wood, as well as priests of various orders bearing various degrees of responsibility. Our church-members are to arise and shine because their light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon them. Let those who know the truth arouse out of sleep, and make every effort to reach the people where they are. The work of the Lord must no longer be neglected by us and made secondary to worldly interests. We have no time to be idle or discouraged. The gospel is to be proclaimed to all the world. The publications containing the light of present truth are to go forth to all places. Canvassing campaigns are to be organized for the sale of our literature, that the world may be enlightened as to what is just before us.

In many States there are settlements of industrious, well-to-do farmers, who have never heard the truth for this time. Such places should be worked. Let our lay members take up this line of service. By loaning or selling books, by distributing papers, and by holding Bible readings, our lay members could do much in their own neighborhoods. Filled with love for souls, they could proclaim the message of present truth with such power that many would be converted. Let us remember that it is as important to carry the message to those in the home field who have not heard the truth, as it is to go as missionaries to foreign countries.

There is abundant work for all who know the truth. Approach the people in a persuasive, kindly manner, full of cheerfulness and love for Christ. The Saviour is ever near with grace and power to enable you to present the gospel of salvation, which will bring souls out of the darkness of unbelief into his marvelous light. Reach out after those who are ready to perish. Call attention to the "Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

I wish that all our people could see the many doors that are open before them. Beside all waters we are to sow the seeds of truth. O, how my soul is drawn out for sinners, that they may be won for Christ! If those who have received the truth would exercise a living faith in Christ, if they would realize that they are to be his workers, wholly consecrated to his service, what a work might be done! When God's people surrender themselves unreservedly to Christ, they will use every power of mind and body to his name's glory; and his work will make rapid advancement.

WHOLE-HEARTED DEVOTION.

The things of this world are soon to pass away. This is not discerned by those who have not been divinely enlightened, who have not kept pace with the work of God. Consecrated men and women must go forth to sound the warning in the highways and the byways.

I urge my brethren and sisters not to engage in work that will hinder them from proclaiming the gospel of Christ. You are God's spokesmen. You are to speak the truth in love to perishing souls. Remember that one day you will stand before the Lord of all the earth, to give an account of the deeds done in the body. Then your work will appear as it really is. The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Allow nothing to keep you from the work of soul-saving. By earnest prayer obtain power that will make your influence a savor of

life unto life. The Master Worker will put his Spirit upon all who labor for him with whole-hearted devotion.

Christ's interests are the first and the highest of all interests. He has a property in this world that he wishes secured, saved for his everlasting kingdom. It is for his Father's glory and his own glory that his messengers shall go forth in his name; for they and he are one. They are to reveal him to the world. His interests are their interests. If they will be co-laborers with him, they shall be made heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ to an immortal inheritance.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., MEMORIAL CHURCH.

THE anniversary of the purchase of our church passed, leaving about \$400 still due. The debt now stands at \$311; but money is now coming in quite rapidly, and we hope all will be paid within the next few days.

One interesting feature of this work of paying for this "memorial for God" in the capital city has been the large number of aged veterans in the work who have sent in contributions. One of these is a sister eighty years of age, the widow of one of the ministers who first used tents in our ministerial work, old soldiers in soldiers' homes, inmates of the Battle Creek home for old people, and many others. Some have sent quite large contributions and have made real sacrifices in order to do so.

Among these there seems to be a united belief that the move to Washington of the headquarters of our work means that the end of our journey is in sight. Is there anything more pathetic than the joy that moistens, that brightens, the aged, weary eyes so long strained to behold the eternal day dawn—some of those who had almost lost hope of living to see the glorious day? The joy that has thrilled every loyal soldier of the message at the marvelous leadings of God

during the last two months in this great step—the joy of the soldier who sees through the conflict certain victory—the joy of the warrior, the traveler, who sees above, beyond the breakers, the headlands of home!

Whence this universal thrill of joy that has pulsed through the ranks of Seventh-day Adventists?—It is of God. The touch of the Spirit which is the earnest, the foretaste of the purchased possession, the blessed land of eternal light.

I shall never forget the many, touching letters from those who have truly given the "widow's two mites." A tiny parcel containing nineteen cents, dated October 30, had enclosed these words: "I am a poor man, and have not much money, but I read the Testimony, and wished to have that blessing for my own. So I send every cent I have at the present time or can get hold of. God bless you and the work. You need not reply, as it will cost a stamp and God knows it. A Friend." Surely those who thus sacrifice will not lose their reward.

After the church is free from debt, and the expense of the baptistry, alterations, etc., is met, as explained in the last GLEANER, in a manner satisfactory to the General Conference officers, the surplus will be turned at once into the fund for establishing institutions located here, so that nothing will be lost. If the Lord should move on some one to send \$1,000, the balance above the needs of the memorial church would be used at once to help build a lighthouse here from which the light would shine out to all the world. A sure foothold would be given to the workers here that with strong hand, and sure aim, the life-line might be thrown out to souls perishing, even to the ends of the earth.

The church here is not simply receiving. It has given largely, and some have not yet fully recovered from the effort made at the first, and more will yet be given by the local church which is deeply grateful to

God and to the many friends who have helped establish this monument of the third angel's message in the nation's capital.

Below is given a partial list of donations sent directly to the writer and not previously reported in the GLEANER:

Previously reported,	\$4,854.22
Mrs. D. B. Foster,	2.00
Elder S. J. Hersum and wife,	1.00
Alonzo J. Huntington,	1.00
Willis Grant,	1.00
Cora Andrews Webber,	1.00
J. E. Huffman,	1.00
Mrs. Amos Fish,	1.00
Margaret Wilson,	1.00
Mrs. Susan Johnson,	.50
Mrs. E. M. Stone,	1.00
Ann M. Johnson,	5.00
Mrs. C. P. Wood,	.50
Mrs. A. Fetter,	1.00
R. C. Spohr,	2.50
R. W. Province,	2.00
Miss Bessie Anderson,	.25
W. E. Arnett,	5.00
Mrs. D. Sterling,	1.00
Mrs. J. W. Arnold,	1.00
C. E. Teft,	1.00
Thomas Bickle,	1.00
Melissa Cookendorfer,	1.00
A. E. Smith,	2.00
Bettie Osgood,	1.00
"A Friend,"	.19
Mrs. S. D. Kirby,	2.00
Nina L. Edgerton,	5.00
Knoxville, Iowa, church,	4.45
Octavia Bowman,	2.00
A. R. Hiatt,	10.00
Mrs. M. S. Crawford,	5.00
Uretta M. McEwen,	10.00
W. E. A. Aul,	10.00
G. W. Edwards,	10.00
Henry Ferritt,	20.00
T. E. Bowen, Treasurer,	21.85
Johnstown, Penn., church,	24.00
H. W. Saxby and friends,	15.00
A. D. Benton and friends,	13.00
Woodburn, Ia., church,	
per Jacob Shively,	14.75
H. C. Matthews and friends,	13.00
T. S. Whitelock and friends,	13.90
College View church,	37.10

Hattie Adams, 25.00
New York Tract Society, 69.45

Total reported, \$5,214.67

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"NO SPARROW falls without his care.
No soul bows low but Jesus knows;
For he is with us everywhere,
And marks each bitter tear that flows;
And he will never, never, never,
Forsake the soul that trusts him ever."

"NEVER take a step without asking
God to lead you."

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

AN URGENT CALL.

God is calling every church, every family, and every believer in this message to "arise, and shine." As one man we are to hold aloft the light entrusted to this people to give to the world. Rev. 14:6-12.

Sabbath and Sunday, November 21 and 22, have been appointed by the General Conference for all our people to meet together in their places of worship, to prayerfully study the needs of the hour, and the demands of God upon us at this time. We are called upon, and are held responsible, by God to give this message to the world in this generation.

We ask all our churches in Eastern Pennsylvania to assemble and make these days especially days of earnest prayer, confession, and consecration to God and his service.

The world is to be warned. The Lord will come. Somebody will do the work. Somebody will receive the reward. Somebody, for lack of faith, and a consecration to a definite work appointed by God, will fail and will have *lost*, LOST forever, the golden opportunity of cooperating with God in the closing work of Heaven.

He that neglects this opportunity,

and refuses to heed the voice of God to give the last invitation to "Come, for all things are now ready," by whatever means God places in our reach, will suffer eternal loss. If we fail of God's purpose and work, we will lose all, and our souls will go out in darkness forever. Matt. 24:44-51.

Under the direction and control of the Holy Ghost, we are called upon to bear witness to this light. Acts 1:8. Just now we are asked to circulate one million or more copies of the special number of the *Signs*, presenting in clear light the outcome of the struggle between capital and labor. Every Sabbath-keeper in the conference should respond to this call at once. If we dispose of one million copies, it will be not less than twenty copies of this special number of the *Signs* for every church-member in our ranks.

This will on the average cost each Sabbath-keeper sixty cents for the papers. But we can sell the twenty copies for one dollar, at five cents each. *All* can do as much as this, and many can sell hundreds and thousands of these papers.

Let there be no delay in this work. See the last *Review and Herald* for a description of what the paper will contain. Orders should be made at once. More than one million copies of this special number of the *Signs* should be sold before the holidays. "We are able" to put these papers into the homes of the people, and make this an introduction to even a greater and continuous work.

With this sale of the *Signs*, let all sell, as the way opens, small books, such as "His Glorious Appearing," "Our Paradise Home," and "Object Lessons." Some may take permanent subscriptions for the *Signs* in this campaign. Let none excuse themselves from taking part in this missionary campaign. Order the papers at once of our tract society, at Williamsport, Pa.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

VERMONT.

IN accord with the recommendation of the recent council of the General Conference, and in execution of plans now being suggested in the Atlantic Union Conference session, we are to conduct a special campaign in the interests of the missionary work. A special point is recommended—that we commence *at once*.

The Vermont Conference Committee has districted the State by grouping the churches, so that they may be visited by the workers to the best advantage.

What we would seek to bring before you at this time is the thought of preparation. So many of our brethren and sisters desire to do something, yet find so little time to use in the direct line of canvassing or distributing of our literature that we are led to suggest that we all so arrange our work that we shall have time to be used by the Holy Spirit.

Is it the plan of the Lord that we should be so occupied with our farm work, housework, or any other work, that we find no time to work directly in the field work? Now is the time to make a special effort to present our literature before the people who are to make selections for their holiday presents.

Now, this being such a special time to work, can we not so arrange our work as to devote some time in this missionary effort in behalf of all the people about us? We solicit the hearty cooperation of each person. The Lord has given unto each one something to do. We are all to be "workers together" with one another and with God; so let us seek to do something.

To any one not knowing what to take up, we would suggest the special *Signs*, "Christ's Object Lessons," "Christian Education," and other books of sound principles.

Any information that your humble servants may be able to give, will be

cheerfully given. Please write us and connect with this work.

Sincerely yours,

In behalf of the committee,

F. M. DANA.

TO OUR BRETHREN IN VIRGINIA.

WE desire to call your attention to several things of vital importance at this time:

1. Keep in mind that the grand rally for the opening campaign for the winter will be held in all our churches November 21, 22. Let each church elder or leader see that all arrangements are made for a most successful meeting. Read instructions carefully, found in the *Review and Herald*, and in articles sent out to the churches, and see that they are carried out.

2. One good way to make this grand rally a success is to take hold of and help circulate the one million copies of the special number of the *Signs* on Capital and Labor. In order to accomplish this, each church-member will have to circulate about twenty copies. We hear of other conferences and churches who are taking their proportion. Will not the "Old Dominion" do likewise? Shall we be behind in this important work? To circulate this number of the *Signs* will not only bring before the people the special subject discussed, but it will stimulate each one for active service for the future. Our church officers should see that everything is done to make this rally a success.

3. We should keep in mind also the week of prayer which has been appointed for December 11 to 19. If we have faithfully carried out the plans above referred to, it will pave the way for a grand season of prayer and praise and giving, at the appointed time.

Brethren, shall we not arise and take hold of the work in Virginia as never before? God has committed to our hands a solemn responsibility in the message for this time. Satan is doing

all in his power to hinder the work. If we are not actively engaged in the service of Satan, it will suit his purpose almost as well to have us idle in the market-place. God's word to each of us to-day is "Son, go work to-day in my vineyard."

Further instruction will be found in the *Review and Herald*, and will be sent from the office. Let us rally to the call for labor now, while it is called the day. R. D. HOTTEL.

BY REQUEST.

In a letter recently received from Elder A. F. Ballenger, from the Welsh Mission, in Wales, I am requested to publish in the GLEANER the resolutions passed at their first general meeting, held last August, expressing their appreciation of the help rendered them in that field by the brethren in America.

It would do our people good to know that the brethren in that field appreciate the help sent them and to know that God is blessing the work and their desire to make it self-supporting as soon as possible. The following are the resolutions passed at their meeting:

"Whereas, The blessing of the grace of God has been over the work in this mission in a signal manner; and,

"Whereas, During the past year we have experienced special favor, and have witnessed marked progress in the work; therefore,

"1. *Resolved*, That we express our sincere and heartfelt thankfulness for all these blessings, and we therefore reconsecrate ourselves and all our powers to the service of God, and pledge ourselves to faithfulness to God, in payment of our full tithes to the Lord's treasury, and in freewill offerings as the cause may demand.

"2. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our heartfelt thanks to the brethren and sisters of the California Conference for so freely giving us the

labors of their and our dear Brother Halliday, and for so generously supporting him from their funds; and that we express our hearty appreciation of his faithful and fruitful labors among us.

"3. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our sincere gratitude to the brethren and sisters of the Pennsylvania Conference for the beautiful tent in which to hold this our first tent effort and camp-meeting in the Welsh Mission Field.

"4. *Resolved*, That we hereby gratefully acknowledge the financial help given to our struggling work by the believers in the United States through the earnest pleadings of the General Conference representatives who have realized our great need; and be it also resolved that we will as soon as possible by our faithfulness in tithes and offerings, and by missionary effort, so strengthen the work in this field that we may become self-supporting, that the funds that we are now receiving may be devoted to other more needy fields."

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

HOLDING THE ROPES.

AS ONE with Christ, we are called to share in his work till it closes. The calls will come thicker and faster from this time on; but as we catch his highest thought for this dark world, to answer these appeals will be our chief pleasure.

The preaching of this gospel of the kingdom in all the world for a witness in this generation will not be performed in any miraculous manner. But as God's servants, in the strength of that "Lo, I am with you," go to every part of the world with this gospel message, souls will be converted.

We who remain at home are to bear just as active a part in this work as the few who go to the front. We are to share in the joys and in the sacrifices of such service; joy when souls accept the precious Saviour, and

sacrifices that nothing may hinder the onward progress of the message.

When William Carey, the father of modern missions, had been able to inspire a few friends with a sense of the great need of the world, and a society had been organized, he was the first one to volunteer for service. The secretary spoke of India in her need as a gold mine, as deep as the center of the earth, and asked who would venture to explore it. "I will venture to go down," was the instant reply of Carey, "but remember that you must hold the ropes."

And this must be done until the work closes. The work of the few who are called to venture down into the dark mine of heathenism and sin would soon be thwarted, if we at home failed to hold the ropes. And dare we believe in this closing hour that God requires greater sacrifice from those who leave the home land to do personal service in the field, than from those who remain behind to supply their needs?

Besides our weekly offerings, larger gifts are called for at this crisis in our work. Although the offerings of 1902 were larger than those of any previous year, the appropriations alone for 1903 reached that amount, with nothing left for aggressive work.

Unless the offerings for November and December exceed those of the same months of any previous year, we shall not be able to pay our appropriations for the year 1903. What are we to do, brethren and sisters? Will we allow the cause of God to languish in these, the closing days of the conflict? If each one will make an effort to increase his own offering just a little, even though it may mean some sacrifice, and those who have not given, will close the year with a good thank-offering, we believe the funds needed for this year will be received. Will we not rise to this emergency, and in the strength of our Leader, place his work on vantage ground?

ESTELA HOUSER.

The FIELD

VERMONT.

North Wolcott and Burlington.

THE interest at North Wolcott is still good. The Sunday evening services are well attended. When there is no minister present, they have a Bible study. My daughter is giving Bible readings to one family of our neighbors once a week. This is all she is able to do in connection with her school work, the young people's meetings, and the Sunday evening service.

One man has recently taken a stand for the truth. He kept the Sabbath years ago, but had given up entirely, and had not kept it for a long time. We are thankful indeed to see this brother return to the fold. May the Lord give him victory over the enemy day by day.

October 31 and November 1, I was with the Burlington church. This church has been greatly weakened by removals of late. A few remain, however, to hold up the light of truth in that city.

The treatment-room enterprise in Burlington is progressing nicely. The brethren have secured a good building in a good location, and hope to open up the work about the 15th of the present month. We shall have an excellent outfit for giving treatments, an electric light bath, electric water bath, an up-to-date spray, massage tables, etc. All this is provided at a nominal expense by the brethren doing nearly all the work themselves, thus saving the conference many dollars.

Donations for this work will still be acceptable, as we shall need more cash than we now have.

Four persons have decided to pay one dollar a month on the rent for a time. Are there not others who would esteem it a privilege to do the

same thing? It will necessarily take time to get this work started, and work up a patronage, hence our expenses will be great for a while, and the income small with which to meet them. We are happy to say, however, that two or three persons are waiting for us to get ready to take them, and they are planning to come and have board and treatment for a number of weeks. We have not yet secured a lady nurse, but we hope to secure one soon.

Brethren, pray for this work, that it may be properly conducted, and that souls may be brought into the truth by this effort. The primary object in starting these treatment rooms is the salvation of souls and the advancement of God's work in our State.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to those who have so liberally donated of their means thus far to this enterprise. We are thankful that we did not have to wait six months or a year after making the call for means before beginning the work, but means came in, so that we could go right to work. This is as it should be in every part of the Lord's work.

Let us watch, work, and pray till the Master comes.

J. W. WATT.

SHUNK, PA.

WEDNESDAY, October 28, Elder Underwood and the writer, arrived at this place, and held our first meeting the following evening at 7:30. Our brethren and sisters here are favored with a fine place for worship in a union church, beautifully situated on an elevated plot of ground, near the central part of the little town. It was plainly indicated from the very first, that the Lord's eye had been upon the premeditated meeting, and had sent his silent messengers before us, to prepare the people for the blessing that he had in store for them. The little company had sought the Lord much that his presence might be with

us in great measure, and that the meetings might result in raising the little church to a higher spiritual standard, and also be the means of gathering in precious souls into the fold of the Lord. None were disappointed. The power of the Holy Spirit was with us from the very first, both to convict and convert souls; and the result was that five precious souls yielded themselves to the Lord, and on Sunday were buried with him by baptism in a beautiful stream near the church. A large congregation gathered at the water's side to witness the ceremony.

In the afternoon four were received into the church, the right hand of fellowship was extended to them by Elder Underwood. Sunday evening Elder Underwood spoke to a well filled house on "The Evidences of the Divinity of Christ." The power of God, in the person of the Holy Spirit, was present to impress the plain, pointed truths home to the hearts of the hearers; and it was plainly demonstrated at the close that the seed had not been sown in vain, when five or six souls raised their hands, thus expressing their desire to be remembered by us in our prayers.

The kindness bestowed upon us by the faithful brethren and sisters from the Shunk church, will be long remembered by us all.

Brother Fry joined us the second day of the meeting, and remained with us to the close, looking after the canvassing work.

May the rich blessing of God ever be with the little company at Shunk, is the earnest prayer of the writer.

W. H. SMITH.

ACCORDING to previous appointment, a general meeting was held at this place, beginning Wednesday, October 28, and continuing until Sunday evening, November 1. Elders R. A. Underwood and W. H. Smith were in charge of the meeting. F. F. Fry, the conference field secretary,

was also with us in the interest of the canvassing work.

Afternoon and evening meetings were held on Thursday and Friday; and on Sabbath and Sunday there were three services each day. Several of our brethren from the Newelltown church attended the meetings. The attendance from the outside was good from the beginning, and all seemed deeply interested in the precious truths presented. We realized that the Spirit of the Lord was in our midst, moving upon the hearts of those present.

At the close of the service of Sunday forenoon, five dear young people followed their Lord in baptism, three of whom united with the Shunk church.

About \$10 was pledged on the tent and poor funds, and a goodly number of orders for the holiday number of the *Signs* were taken.

Although a little company, numbering less than thirty, we are of good courage, and feel to rejoice, knowing that our redemption draweth nigh.

C. H. WARREN.

THE GERMAN WORK IN GREATER NEW YORK.

As it will interest the readers of the GLEANER to hear of the work among the Germans in Brooklyn, I will give a brief account of our summer's work, which began June 5, with a tent effort.

The Lord went before us in securing a place for our tent in a German neighborhood where there are many Catholics.

The neighbors were pleased to have us come there. One man expressed himself as very thankful and said that our effort was a blessing to the whole neighborhood. Our meetings were fairly attended from the first to the last.

Elder Reinke, who has charge of the German work here, gave the last warning message in a clear and distinct tone, so that not one of the num-

ber who attended, can say, We have not heard the message.

A Sunday-school was conducted throughout the tent season, and Wednesday afternoon was given to a children's meeting. A large number of children took part in both of these meetings.

Our work continued for nearly three months, and during this time Sister Kehrein and myself were kept busy in visiting those that were interested, and this gave us openings to place before them our books and tracts, a large number of which were sold during the spring and summer work.

The Lord blessed us in the work. He also held his protecting hand over the tent during storms and when stones were thrown by the enemies.

We are glad for the promise that his Word shall not return void. The result is that five have accepted the truth and been baptized, while a number stand in the valley of decision.

Since our tent work closed we have been following up the work by holding Bible readings with those that are interested. One family has decided to keep the Sabbath just as soon as the man can get work to support his family. There are honest hearts here and there, and we are glad that God is at work with them.

May the Lord send us more workers. At present we are only three, Elder Reinke and his wife, and the writer. Sister Kehrein left for Germany at the close of our tent work, to take the truth to her relatives.

Elder Reinke has organized a Bible class of a goodly number of our church-members, who meet once a week, and study the main points of the truth, and then go out, according to the Bible plan, two by two, to give out as they take in. We hope to see good results from this plan.

Pray for us that God may give us courage and zeal to press forward and spread the message. It is time that Seventh-day Adventists let their light shine, that others may see it

and be led into the ark of safety.

Remember the German work at the throne of grace.

C. M. WENTLAND.

VERMONT TITHE REPORT FOR OCTOBER.

Barre church,	\$2.00
Bordoville "	38.28
Burlington "	54.03
Charleston "	55.00
Hartland "	24.16
Jamaica "	65.61
Johnson "	4.00
Middlebury "	23.00
Morrisville "	29.50
Northfield "	2.00
Rutland "	58.03
Sutton "	19.11
Vergennes "	4.18
Warren "	3.50
Windham "	14.50
Wolcott "	12.18
Individuals,	22.25

Total, \$431.33
E. W. THURBER, *Asst. Sec.*

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

The church here has been prospering this summer, and good results are seen. The members are much encouraged to see people coming into the church where two years ago they held readings and studied the Bible with them. Others are the result of readings held by members this summer, and books, papers, and tracts distributed.

Twenty-four have united with the Brooklyn church since July 1, 1903. Seventeen of these were baptized by Elder L. H. Proctor, who is laboring here with me. Several of them are young people, and two of them are attending the academy at South Lancaster.

We closed our tent meetings four weeks from the time of starting, and moved into a hall near by. Five are keeping the Sabbath, I believe, as a result of these meetings. Others are interested. Several hundred period-

icals have been distributed and twenty-two thousand five hundred and thirty-two pages of tracts have been sold at the close of services. Elder Proctor is carrying on the meetings alone. I have been unable to render much assistance in the meetings of late, and am now at the New England Sanitarium for treatment.

The church school in charge of Sister Cole is progressing well. Some outside of our people are sending their children. There are now twenty-two pupils in attendance. I see the necessity more and more of our church schools, where the children can be taught the principles of God's word in connection with all their studies. I hope all our people will make a great effort to send their children to the church school.

G. E. LANGDON.

PORTLAND, MAINE.

ON Monday evening, November 2, the members of the Portland church and other friends met to give Brother and Sister Dexter a farewell reception, previous to their departure for the southern field. This social gathering was held at the home of Brother and Sister Dunscomb, 182 Clark Street.

After enjoying a number of selections of both vocal and instrumental music, the company listened to a poem written for the occasion by L. L. Howard, and read by Brother Howe. The appreciation of Elder and Sister Dexter's labors, expressed by the writer of the lines was seconded by all present.

In a brief speech in behalf of the donors Elder Bicknell presented a beautiful set of table silverware, knives, forks, and spoons, as a lasting and practical reminder to our departing colaborers of the love and esteem they have won in Portland.

The field of their labors the coming year will be New Orleans, where Elder Dexter may devote some of his time to work for the French, his edu-

cation in that language fitting him for that needy field.

The good wishes and prayers of many friends in Maine follow them on their journey.

C. G. SNOW.

EDUCATIONAL

OUR ACADEMY AND
CHURCH-SCHOOLS

ROCK HALL, MARYLAND.

THE church school at Rock Hall began its fifth year, September 14, with a full attendance, making an enrolment of twenty-four students.

The beginning class is a large one. It is composed of nine bright little boys and girls who seem to be enjoying their first days at school.

We have pupils in every grade to the eighth inclusive, excepting the third and sixth. The eighth grade is composed of young ladies who are very helpful in many ways, and seem to be interested in all their work.

Near the first of October all of the children who could go, with their parents, went on an outing. The place which had been selected was a knoll which extends into Chesapeake Bay, about two miles distant. The company enjoyed a delightful sail down the creek to the bay.

While preparations were being made for dinner, the children enjoyed playing in the sand, gathering shells, and wading along the shore.

Before leaving for home, we all gathered together, and had singing and a reading, after which we closed the day with prayer. We felt that it had been, not only an enjoyable outing, but also one which had drawn us closer to the One from whom we receive all our good and perfect gifts.

Not only have we enjoyed an outing, but during the past two weeks the weather has been so inviting that we left our school-room and went and studied in God's temples—the woods. Here, after enjoying nature, and exer-

cise, we seated ourselves on the ground in grades, and carried on our school—studying, reciting, and drawing.

We have a good class of students in attendance, and all seem to be in earnest. Christ is our great Teacher, and we take hold of the work knowing that if we but follow closely at his side, then our work for this school year will be a success.

LULA I. TARBELL.

November 1.

CASH DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR FURNISHING FUND SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY.

PREVIOUSLY acknowledged, \$38.50
Norwich, Conn., church, 20.00

Total, \$58.50

FURNISHINGS DONATED TO SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY.

FRIENDS in Rutland, Vermont, three comforters, two pairs of double blankets, three sheets, eight pillow-cases, three pillows; Mrs. M. A. Lea, Vienna, N. Y., two comforters; South Lancaster church: Mr. and Mrs. A. Remphre, four good cane-seated chairs; Mrs. S. A. Mason, two comforters; Mrs. W. A. Wilcox, one comforter; Mrs. J. R. Israel, one comforter; Mrs. A. Ware, one comforter and one rug; Mrs. E. D. Robinson, one comforter; Miss Augusta Wheeler, one comforter; Mrs. F. P. Munn, material for one comforter; Mrs. Belden, one comforter; Mrs. G. B. Wheeler, material towards a comforter, two large rod curtains; Mrs. H. W. Cottrell, two large rod curtains; Wm. Weston, one bedstead and springs; also the following cash donations for material for rugs and comforter: Mrs. A. F. Gustin, \$1; Mrs. G. R. Israel, \$1.25; Mrs. G. W. Palmer, \$1; Mrs. A. Mitchell, \$1. Mrs. S. C. Botsford, Manchester, Center, Vt., two comforters.

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

A PROPER QUESTION.

THE following quotation from a letter received from a good sister—a widow—and one who has for a long time been engaged in selling our publications, contains practical suggestions, and the question she asks is 'deserving of consideration. After speaking of having encouraged others to work, she says:

"The poor people want the books, if some one would just start out. I am getting old now and can't do as I would like, but so many are complaining that they can't keep the Sabbath and make a living. It is sad to hear such talk. See, I only handle small books, and support myself and little boy, and pay rent a good part of the time in two places. *Why can't some of these young people take hold of this work?* They can get over twice the ground that I can. O, the blessing that is in it. Their souls would be refreshed and watered. I love my work."

The question contained in the above quotation is very opportune *just now*. The holiday season is just before us. Already people are planning for gifts. Our young people, as well as the older ones, will find many openings just now to place our publications in the hands of their friends and neighbors. Children are beginning to send in orders for books. Let others take up the good work. Our children's books will meet with ready sale, and any one can sell them.

"Why stand ye idle all the day?" There is work for all in this eleventh hour—the last of the year, the best season of all.

Write to your State tract society for terms and list of books to sell during the holiday season. Improve your spare time, and thereby do yourself and others good.

We want "one hundred agents where there is now one" to sell our publications during the next two months.

REVIEW AND HERALD PUB. ASS'N.

A RARE OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE.

WE have reached that period of the year in which the evenings are long, and multitudes will devote time to reading. Such studious individuals should be furnished with good reading. Thousands of our smaller books, such as contain present truth for the times, can be sold.

Many books will be purchased and presented to friends as holiday gifts. An excellent book for this purpose is

the book recently issued, "Our Paradise Home." It covers in a brief, expressive, earnest way the plan of salvation from Paradise lost to Paradise regained. Many hearts have been cheered and warmed with the reading of its thrilling truths.

Many of our brethren, sisters, youth, and children should sell this precious volume by thousands. Now is the time of year that this can be accomplished. It can be used by our canvassers as a help when selling larger books. Who will aid immediately? If you desire to make a holiday gift, this volume will constitute a valuable one.

It is a subscription book; a liberal discount to agents. The book is finely

THE BOOK WORK.

Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Mrs. L. B. Trowbridge,	Pittsb'g,	D of A	5	17	5	21.00	3.90	24.90	10.90
W. J. Heckman,	Johnstown,	D of A	1	6			2.75	2.75	2.00
J. Q. Herrington,	Allegheny Co.,	P & P	4	22	13	36.00	13.50	49.50	68.50
T. O. Saxton,	Penn Runn,	P & P	2	15	1	2.25	4.50	6.75	51.25
W. C. Fleisher,	Allegheny Co.,	G C	4	25	3	8.75	19.75	28.50	13.00
W. H. Zeidler,	Homestead,	G C	4	20	2	5.00	26.00	31.00	7.50
Chas Peden,	Scalp Level,	B R	3	14	6	14.00		14.00	6.00
J. W. and E. A. Mitchell,	Greenfield,	Misc	3	17			5.40	5.40	5.40
Mrs. F. S. Ortiz,	Johnstown,	Misc	1	6			3.00	3.00	
D. Bowman,	Allegheny Co.,	H of M	1	6					5.00
F. Daughenbaugh,	Huntingdon,	H of M	1	1			1.00	1.00	1.50
C. F. Mahr,	Monongahela,	C K	6	29	18	18.00	3.00	21.00	16.00
*Mrs. A. Champlin,	Coryville,	P H				8.25		8.25	
Totals,	13 Agents,		34	178	82	\$113.25	\$82.80	\$196.05	\$187.05

*Two weeks.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. A. K. Lichty,	Allentown,	D of A	5	32	6	17.75	8.75	26.50	
W. T. Hilgert,	Philadelphia,	G C	3	12			1.55	1.55	.25
J. H. H. Albright,	Reading,	H of M	5	26	9	12.00	2.75	14.75	11.25
"	"	H of M	5	13			8.00	8.00	3.00
Henry K. High,	Reading,	H of M	5	36			20.25	20.25	1.75
S. H. Swingle,	Scranton,	H of M	5	24	7	9.75	12.00	20.75	.50
Elsie M. Swingle,	Scranton,	H of M	5	26	13	18.75	7.25	26.00	1.50
Juletta Swanberry,	Alden Sta.,	H of M	4	17	4	5.00	3.00	8.00	
Mary E. Diener,	Allentown,	P H	3	9	17	6.00	2.50	8.50	4.50
Totals,	8 Agents,		40	205	56	\$69.25	\$65.05	\$134.30	\$22.75

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ONLY A SAMPLE.

THE following extracts will show something of what our agents are doing in this district. They write:

"Please don't delay in getting these books off. Look out for a five hundred order for 'Glorious Appearing' for the holidays. Don't let your stock run low."

"Eighty dollars worth of orders in

two weeks. You can figure on \$150 to \$200 worth of books [and these are *large* books.—ED.] for me by the middle of December."

"Find \$9 for books. I need them at once."

The latter is a *widow's mite*, but it has been repeated so frequently that it has long since assumed the right to be a *widow's mite*.

REVIEW & HERALD PUB. ASS'N.

GOD denies a Christian nothing but with a design to give him something better.—*Cecil*.

New York Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
R. L. McKenzie,		P H			3	.75		.75	7.75
G. F. Evans,		G C		28	4	12.50	3.00	15.50	
A. H. Osborn,		G P		5	4	1.00	.75	1.75	
Totals,	3 Agents,			33	11	\$14.25	3.75	\$18.00	\$7.75

Central New England Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
D. A. Piper, Milford, N. H.,	D of A		5	29	2	8.50	4.50	13.00	
*R. B. Fanton, Marlboro, Mass,	D of A			60	2	6.00	60.85	66.85	
F. W. Stray, Shelburne Falls,	D of A		3	11	5	17.25	1.50	18.75	
Totals,	3 Agents,		8	100	9	\$31.75	\$66.85	\$98.60	

*Two weeks.

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
E. W. Fraits, Windsor, Ct.,	Misc		5	33		19.75		19.75	7.25
R. C. Andrews, Winsted, Ct.,	Misc		5	28		22.75		22.75	
R. H. Randall,	S of D		4	14	2	2.00	10.50	2.50	
W. Blackburn, Westerly, R. I.,	C K		5	24	16	18.50	4.75	23.25	27.25
Totals,	4 Agents,		19	99	18	\$63.00	\$15.25	\$78.25	\$34.50

Maine Conference, Week Ending October 30, 1903.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
C. R. Chandler, Richmond,	G C		5	26	3	8.00	8.50	16.50	
Totals,	1 Agents,		5	27	3	\$8.00	\$8.50	\$16.50	

Union Conference Totals	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
32 Agents,	106	641	179	\$299.50	\$242.20	\$541.70	\$252.05
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
32 Agents,		606	270	\$556.50	\$94.75	\$651.25	\$386.35

ITEMS OF INTEREST

VERMONT.

—Sister J. C. Nichols of Northfield was in Burlington over Sabbath and Sunday.

—Elder J. W. Watt and Brethren F. M. Dana, J. G. White, and A. W. Boardman, have gone as delegates to attend the Atlantic Union Conference meeting at South Lancaster.

—We hope all our Vermont churches will send in their orders early for a large number of the special *Signs*. A number like this, upon so timely a topic, should have a wide circulation.

—Sister Rubie Roscoe has gone to Barre to canvass for a time. On her way she called at Burlington and visited friends. She also left a donation in the form of a quilt at the treatment rooms, for use in the work.

—We shall soon have the readings for the missionary conventions to send out to our churches, and we trust that each church will prepare to take hold of this matter in earnest. Let us all respond heartily to the call for service.

—Brother H. F. Litchfield has moved his family and household goods to Burlington, arriving the 3rd inst., but was called to Barton Landing last Friday by the sudden death of his father. He has our deepest sympathy at this time.

E. W. THURBER, *Asst. Sec.*

VERMONT.

—Elder Watt visited the Burlington church Sabbath and Sunday, October 31 and November 1.

—Elder H. J. Farman has closed up his work in Randolph, and gone to his home in Westfield.

—Elder T. H. Purdon, of Rutland, attended the Atlantic Union Conference meetings at South Lancaster.

—Brother C. H. Porter reports that on account of illness he will be unable

to work in the canvassing field for a few days.

—At our last annual session held at Randolph we neglected to elect delegates to the biennial session of the Atlantic Union Conference. Your conference committee filled the quota we were entitled to send by selecting Brother J. G. White, of Jamaica, Brother A. W. Boardman, of Wolcott, and F. M. Dana, of Burlington. These were selected to represent the general interests of the work.

—Up to this time we have received two barrels of apples, potatoes, and vegetables, as donations to the treatment-room work, for which we are very grateful. We trust that the blessing of the Lord will rest upon the donors. If any others wish to send anything in this line, it will be thankfully received. Also we have four pledges of one dollar each a month on our rent, which will be of material help in our work. If there are others who wish to pledge one dollar or smaller amounts a month toward our rent, we shall be pleased to hear from them. Until the work develops to the point where it is self-supporting these pledges, and others that may be made, will greatly help in carrying on the work. We might add that donations of vegetables, etc., are sold to the workers at market value, and are thus the same as a cash donation.

F. M. DANA.

BROTHER J. E. FULTON, after spending a year in Australia, where he has taught in the Avondale school, has returned to Fiji, to spend the vacation. Although the health of Mrs. Fulton and himself does not yet warrant their remaining on the islands definitely, their short stay will be a means of strength to the work there.

Brother Fulton writes encouragingly of the work. There have been a number of accessions during the year, and others are awaiting baptism. He is looking forward to the time when

they will be able to again take up permanent work among these people for whom they have labored so long.

WEST VIRGINIA.

THE sixteenth annual session of the West Virginia Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will convene in the city of Parkersburg, November 24 to 30. The first meeting will be held at 9:30 A.M., November 24. We trust that every church will be fully represented at this important session.
W. R. FOGGIN.

WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE NOTICE.

A GENERAL meeting will be held at Huntingdon, November 18 to 22. Elder W. F. Schwartz and myself will be present. We trust there will be a good attendance from neighboring churches, companies, and scattered Sabbath-keepers.

Following the meeting at Huntingdon, a four days' meeting will be held at Altoona, November 25 to 29.

Brethren and sisters, begin to pray for the success of these meetings. It is time to seek the Lord as never before, that we may resist the powers of darkness that are pressing on every hand, that Christ may break every yoke, that we all may be a free people, to give this closing message with power.
E. J. DRYER.

"If we suffer, we shall also reign with him."

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SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

Local Mean Time.

1903.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
Nov. 6....	4:49	4:52	4:56
Nov. 13....	4:41	4:43	4:49
Nov. 20....	4:35	4:40	4:44
Nov. 27....	4:31	4:36	4:40

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THE preaching services during the session of the Atlantic Union Conference have been as follows: Wednesday evening, Elder S. H. Lane spoke on the importance of perfecting a Christian character; Thursday evening, Elder R. A. Underwood introduced the inspiring topic of the second coming of Christ; Friday evening, Elder W. W. Prescott emphasized the fact that we are a people with a distinctive message; Sabbath forenoon, Elder A. G. Daniells dwelt upon the similarity that must exist between the messenger who proclaimed Christ's first advent and the messengers who are to act a part in heralding his second coming; Sabbath afternoon and Sunday evening, Elder Prescott explained the distinctive message, or the sanctuary question; and Monday evening, Elder E. E. Franke gave a vivid presentation of His glorious appearing.

ONE MILLION COPIES.

THE announcement that we made a short time ago that a special edition of the *Signs of the Times* on the subject of Capital and Labor was soon to be issued, seems to have touched a responsive chord in the hearts of our people everywhere. Most encouraging letters have been received from conference presidents, and others, endorsing the plan and promising hearty cooperation.

One million copies seems to be the smallest number named to be circulated, and Nebraska comes first with

a definite order for fifteen thousand copies. This order was given when the brethren thought that the paper was going to retail at ten cents. Now that it is to be sold at five cents a copy, we trust they will double the order. Elder A. T. Robinson, the president of that conference, has sent a stirring letter to all the churches, calling them to action, and others are taking hold of the work vigorously.

In view of this, we have placed an order for paper for one million copies, and we confidently expect they will be called for. The only question in our minds is, Will this be enough? In view of the importance of the question on which this special number treats, and the intense agitation of the subject in all parts of the world, we ought to dispose of two million copies or more.

This special number is to contain twenty-four pages, including cover, and will be beautifully illustrated.

The retail price is five cents a copy.

Five to twenty copies to one address, four cents.

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No doubt there are many who would like to have the paper sent direct from the office of publication to friends. For the benefit of such the following offer is made:

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This price includes wrapping, addressing, and postage.

The publishers have decided to donate one-half of the profits on this special number to the Mission Board to carry the gospel to the regions beyond.

Papers will be ready to mail not later than November 12. Orders should be sent in at once.

Address your State tract society, or

Signs of the Times, Oakland, California.
C. H. JONES.

NOTICE.

Meeting at Philadelphia.

WE expect Elders A. G. Daniells and W. W. Prescott to be with us in our workers' council at Philadelphia, November 13 to 18. We hope to see all the laborers in the conference at this meeting. The first meeting will be Friday night, corner Seventeenth and Norris Streets.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

GENERAL MEETING.

THERE will be a general meeting at East Washburn, Me., December 31 to January 2, inclusive. We trust that there will be a large attendance, and that each church in Aroostook County will be represented. Plans for aggressive work in Aroostook County the coming year will be considered at this meeting. Ministerial help from the Canadian Union Conference will be in attendance.

P. F. BICKNELL.

NOTICE.

Southern New England Conference.

AS MRS. HELEN A. WHITTIER, 122 Shelton St., Bridgeport, Conn., has been appointed secretary of the Sabbath-school department of the Southern New England Conference, all reports and correspondence concerning this department, should be addressed to her.

C. H. EDWARDS.

FOR the convenience of our people who may be called to pass through Paris, we are requested to announce that there is a large boarding-house there kept by one of our sisters. The address is Miss M. L. Graves, 3 rue Leopold Robert, Paris, France.