

ATLANTIC UNION GLEANNER



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

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"IT'S JEWISH." *

WHEN we present God's holy law,
And arguments from Scripture draw,
Objectors say, to pick a flaw,
"It's Jewish."

Though from the first, Jehovah blessed
And sanctified his day of rest;
The same belief is still expressed—
"It's Jewish."

Though with the world this rest began,
And thence through all the Scriptures ran,
And Jesus said, "'T was made for man"—
"It's Jewish."

Though not with Jewish rites which passed,
But with the moral law 't was classed,
Which must endure while time shall last—
"It's Jewish."

If from the Bible we present
The Sabbath's meaning and intent,
This answers every argument,—
"It's Jewish."

Though the disciples, Luke and Paul,
Continue still this rest to call
"The Sabbath day," 'tis answers all—
"It's Jewish."

The gospel teachers' plain expression,
That "sin is of the law transgression,"
Seems not to make the least impression—
"It's Jewish."

They praise the rest of man's invention,
But if Jehovah's day we mention,
This puts an end to all contention—
"It's Jewish."

Oh! 't is too bad, that men should slight
What God would have them call delight,
And stigmatize his gift so bright,
As Jewish. †

But when old earth shall pass away,
And be renewed—the Sabbath day
Honored by all—none then will say,
"It's Jewish." ‡

That precious boon to man first given,
Ere he from paradise was driven,
Will be accepted as from heaven—
Not Jewish.

And while eternity's glad days
Roll on and on with ceaseless rays,
The theme will be Jehovah's praise,
And that in universal lays—
Not Jewish.

—R. F. Cottrell.

O YE who thus God's day abuse,
Simply because 't was kept by Jews,
The Saviour, too, you must refuse—
He's Jewish.

The Scriptures, then, we may expect
For the same reason you'll reject,
If you but stop to recollect
They're Jewish.

Thus the apostles, too, must fall;
For Andrew, Peter, James, and Paul,
And Thomas, Matthew, John, and all,
Were Jewish.

So to your hapless state resign
Yourself, in wretchedness to pine,
Salvation surely you'll decline—
It's Jewish. ||

—J. E. Swift.

*Published by request.

†Isa. 58:13. ‡Isa. 66:22, 23.
|| John 4:22.

"For there is no difference between
the Jew and the Greek."

THE ADVANTAGES OF A TRAINING- SCHOOL AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

WHEN it was decided that the headquarters of the denomination were to be located at Washington, D. C., at once the advantages in the establishment of a training-school at the same place were apparent.

Certainly here in connection with the general offices where many of the great problems of the advancing message must be worked out, would be an ideal place for an institution of this kind.

THE LOCATION.

The importance of the location in itself should not be overlooked. Washington is rapidly becoming one of the most prominent cities of the world. Here are gathered from all over the country the men who make the laws of the land. The great government departments with their thousands of officers and clerks are located here. Here are also gathered the representatives of the various foreign nations of the world.

Washington differs from other places in that it is not a factory or commercial city. The hours for labor are short, and the people have much time for study and thought. This makes it a favorable place for our ministers and Bible workers to pre-

sent the truth, and for students in the training-school to have an actual experience in the various lines of work for which they are fitting themselves.

Here students will have access to the Congressional Library, considered one of the finest of its kind in the world, also the Smithsonian Institute, the National Museum, the Patent Offices, the Art Gallery, and other places containing collections for study and information.

INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYMENT.

In the construction of buildings for the offices of the General Conference, the publishing house, the sanitarium, and even in the erection of the school buildings themselves, an opportunity will be furnished from the very start to give employment and training to the students.

Here may be actually worked out plans and methods of education that have long been considered and discussed. The experiences in the establishment of all of our schools in the past will be available, and will be considered with a view to avoiding the mistakes and taking advantage of the successes.

THE PLAN.

Just as soon as the time arrives to begin vigorously pushing the work of building, it is desired that the actual work of school commence. The superintendents and foremen will have completed their plans, and, as far as possible, the work of building, of laying out and beautifying the grounds, will be done by student labor. The plan of study and labor will be so combined that the students will be able to meet much if not all their expenses. Especially will this be so while the buildings are in progress of construction.

As may be observed from a glance at the map, the climate of Washington is such that much out-of-door work may be done. The winters are short and comparatively mild, thus the building season is much longer than in the North.

CLASS OF STUDENTS WANTED.

Especially during the first year of the school only those should come who are able and willing to work. Certainly others would not wish to fit themselves for any line of missionary endeavor. While the students are pursuing their studies, helping in the construction of the buildings, and in other lines of employment, opportunities will also be found for Bible work, canvassing, and other forms of religious work, as the student may have the ability to undertake.

Young men will be wanted who can be trusted, who can work, and who are willing to consecrate their lives to the Master's service, and to be trained for whatever responsibilities he may have for them. Such young men are always in demand, and will find here a wonderful opportunity for just the training that they need.

A number of earnest, devoted young women will also be furnished with employment, for much will be found that they can do that will assist them largely, if not wholly, in defraying their expenses.

WHEN TO COME.

Announcements will be published as soon as definite arrangements have been made for the work to begin. No one should come without first having made definite arrangements. Correspondence is invited, and full instruction and information will be given on request.

W. T. BLAND.

AFTERTHOUGHTS.

It was my privilege to attend the Sabbath-school convention held in Gilbert Hall, Boston, January 29. Contrary to my usual habit, I was late in entering the service, and missed the excellent paper on "A Model Sabbath-school." Nevertheless I was in season to hear Professor Griggs open the discussion which followed. He gave us many good things, but one remark especially in-

terested me, as it brought to view a point in respect to which I so many times fail. If I remember correctly, the thought expressed was this: Our afterthoughts are some times better than our forethoughts, but this need not be the case, if we apply ourselves to overcoming the habit. In my own experience, I realize that many a kind deed has remained undone, loving, tender words unspoken, because they were an afterthought, and the opportunity was lost forever. I wish most earnestly to be numbered with the overcomers.

I have lately enjoyed a pleasant visit at the South Lancaster home, receiving sweet Christian greetings alike from teachers, matron, and students. On Sabbath, March 12, at five o'clock, eleven of the young people were buried with Christ in baptism. To me it was a precious season, and I think all must have realized the Holy Spirit's presence. I trust that these young lives will be fully consecrated to the Lord, and thus obtain a fully rounded-out Christian experience.

On Sunday morning, after the opening exercises in the academy, Professor Griggs spoke on the subject of "Strength." God has made three promises for man to recover his strength lost through sin. The provision through Jesus Christ was the subject of his morning lesson. Love was the controlling element in the life of our Saviour, therefore it should govern our lives. It was forcibly shown that to be able to hold a grudge against another, was an element of weakness. After this very instructive and helpful chapel talk, we all enjoyed a solo sung by the Professor, entitled "Be Strong."

Let us, who sometimes feel that we occupy only a small corner of the vineyard, be much in secret prayer that God will abundantly bless those who are more publicly engaged in the work.

Although not positive that they are better than my forethoughts, I give

you these afterthoughts trusting that they may prove helpful to some dear soul.

ABBIE F. FISK.

West Newton, March 16.

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**TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF
 THE STOCKHOLDERS OF SOUTH
 LANCASTER ACADEMY.**

First Meeting.

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 THIS meeting was called to order by the president of the corporation, H. W. Cottrell, at the Seventh-day Adventist church at South Lancaster, Mass., at 10 A.M., March 15, 1904, according to notice previously given in the *Review and Herald*.

Prayer was offered by Elders A. E. Place and H. W. Cottrell.

The roll call showed one hundred and ninety-eight shares of stock represented in person. The examination of the proxies showed three hundred and twenty-six shares of stock represented by proxy.

The President spoke of the general interests of the Academy. In his remarks he made special reference to the financial policy of the school, and also spoke of the various industries of the school.

In speaking of the Agricultural Department, he called attention to the fact that the lease on the tract of land which we have been farming for a number of years, expires this year; in view of this, we shall find it necessary if we carry on the agricultural features of the work to change our plan of work to more fully embrace that of market-gardening.

He made note of the fact that one particular object of this meeting was that of considering the change of our corporation from that of a stockholders' to that of a denominational one.

Another feature of importance for us to consider was the laying of plans for the removal of the entire indebtedness resting upon the school. We should enter upon this work with enthusiasm now that we are to have a

definite and correct statement of our financial standing.

It was voted that the chair appoint the usual committees.

The chair appointed for Committee on Nominations, Frederick Griggs, D. W. Johnson, J. W. Watt, P. F.

Bicknell, and H. B. Tucker. On Plans, W. A. Wilcox, Geo. W. Palmer, A. E. Place, E. E. Miles, W. M. Lee, C. W. Thayer, D. B. Parmelee, and M. D. Mattson.

The Treasurer submitted his annual report, as follows:

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**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY,
 For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1903.**

RESOURCES.		
Real Estate,	Inventory,	\$22,960.61
Tools and Implements,	"	59.05
Furniture,	"	3,233.98
Apparatus,	"	307.00
Library,	"	508.57
Heating and Lighting,	Unused material,	590.84
Laundry,	" "	6.24
Supply Store,	" "	441.17
Room Supplies,	" "	8.26
Commercial Department Expense,	" "	19.50
Book Department,	Book Stand Stock,	212.09
Real Estate Repairs, Academy,	Unused material,	15.00
Furniture Repairs, Home,	" "	73.86
Advertising,	" "	302.35
Expense,	" "	4.16
Office Expense,	" "	51.26
Library Fund,		33.84
American Loan and Trust Co.,	Cash on Deposit,	1,400.00
Old Colony Trust Co.,	" " "	1,400.00
Massachusetts Trust Co.,	" " "	1,401.37
Notes Receivable,		80.00
C. O. L. Funds Loan,		56.27
New England Broom and Brush Co. Loans,		1,235.00
New England Broom and Brush Co.,		945.39
New England Broom and Brush Co. Stock,		200.00
Farm Department Investment,		1,106.80
Basket Department,		117.71
Dormitory Construction,		131.31
Sundry Accounts Receivable,		3,441.31
Accounts Receivable, Employees,		207.74
Accounts Receivable, Students,		2,145.85
Interest, Industrial Fund,		9.11
Dormitory Fund Expense,		3.59
Cash on Hand,		192.55
		\$42,901.28
LIABILITIES.		
H. W. Cottrell, Trust Fund,		\$288.74
Mrs. A. S. Steele, " "		22.52
Typewriter Fund,		5.54
Paint Fund,		49.00
Dormitory Fund, For Construction,		6,448.96
Farm Department, Deposit,		218.48
N. E. B. & B. Co., "		496.87
Notes Payable,		399.00
Notes Payable, Industrial Fund,		950.00
Old Debt Department, Debt Payable,		25,803.72
Accounts Payable, Purchases,		1,188.61
" " Employees,		325.28
" " Students,		403.74
		\$36,600.46
	Net Resources,	\$6,300.82

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LOSS AND GAIN.	
Old Debt Department, Debt Receivable,	\$2,465.31
Donations,	132.77
Auditor's Account,	31.13
Library,	128.82
Operating Expense and Income, Gain Balance from Itemized Account Following,	317.97
	\$610.69
Balance to Investment Account,	1,854.62
	\$2,465.31 \$2,465.31

OPERATING EXPENSE AND INCOME.
July 1, 1902, to June 30, 1903.

EXPENSE.	
Real Estate Repairs,	\$364.69
Real Estate Expense,	67.63
Furniture Repairs,	236.24
Apparatus Expense,	29.93
Piano Rental,	62.55
Advertising,	385.38
Expense,	378.98
Office Expense (Wages, Stationery, Postage, etc.),	1,412.26
Rent and Taxes,	228.27
Sewer Improvement,	77.95
Medical Service (Special),	9.50
Basket Department,	145.20
Damage to Piano,	1.25
Telephone, Local Service,	11.04
	\$3,410.87
INCOME.	
Boarding Hall, Net Balance,	\$836.93
Rooms, " "	1,245.74
Teachers' Fund, Conference Appropriations,	1,317.08
Tuition, Net Balance,	55.47
Commercial Department, " "	224.50
Book Department, " "	48.30
Interest,	.82
Total Expense,	\$3,410.87
Total Income,	\$3,728.84
Balance to Loss and Gain Account,	317.97
	\$3,728.84 \$3,728.84

FARM DEPARTMENT,
For Year Ending Dec. 31, 1903.

RESOURCES.	
Dairy, Inventory,	\$941.35
Team, " "	339.55
Vegetables, " "	143.50
Poultry, " "	57.75
Tools, " "	134.68
Cash,	137.48
S. L. A. Deposit Account,	472.35
Accounts Receivable,	247.96
	\$2,474.62
LIABILITIES.	
Accounts Payable, Purchase,	\$71.01
Accounts Payable, Employees,	296.19
Balance Loss and Gain,	1,000.62
Net Investment,	1,106.80
	\$2,474.62

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It was moved and seconded to adopt the report.

Pending the adoption of the report, the meeting adjourned to 2:30 P.M. of this day.

H. W. COTTRELL, *President.*
FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary.*

Second Meeting.

MEETING was called to order at 2:30 P.M., March 15, 1904. Prayer by Elder J. W. Watt.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The pending motion of the previous meeting being called up, it was voted to adopt the report of the Treasurer subject to the report of the Auditor.

The Auditor, D. B. Parmelee, submitted as a partial report the report of the Old Debt Account, which is as follows:

(This report is on page 146.)

After considerable discussion of the various features of this portion of the Auditor's report, it was adopted.

On motion the meeting adjourned to 9:30 A.M., March 16, 1904.

H.W. COTTRELL, *President.*
FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary.*

Third Meeting.

MEETING was called at 9:30 A.M., March 16, 1904. Prayer by Elder P. F. Bicknell.

The Secretary's minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Seven more shares of stock were represented in person at this meeting, and fourteen more shares were represented by proxy, making a total of two hundred and five shares in person and three hundred and forty by proxy.

The Committee on Plans submitted a partial report as follows:

"In harmony with the advice and counsel given by the Atlantic Union Conference at its last biennial session,

"1. *We recommend*, That there be submitted to the stockholders of the South Lancaster Academy Corporation, the question, to determine

whether they will dissolve the present corporation and direct the organization and incorporation, under the laws of Massachusetts, of a new educational corporation to take on the educational work of the Atlantic Union Conference; said corporation to be in character, non-shareholding, non-dividendpaying, and not for profit; to which new corporation shall be transferred and made over, all the property, holdings, rights, immunities, and franchises of the present corporation, or whether they will act in any other manner in relation thereto.

"2. *We further recommend*, That at the close of this series of meetings the corporation take a recess, without adjournment, until the eleventh day of October next, at 10 A.M., to meet at the Seventh-day Adventist church, in the village of South Lancaster, Massachusetts; at which time and place the question referred to in the foregoing recommendation shall be submitted to a vote of the stockholders of the South Lancaster Academy; at which meeting also shall be transacted any business necessary to legally effect the dissolution of the present corporation, and the organization and incorporation of such proposed new corporation, or to take any other action in relation thereto as may be determined by said meeting.

"3. *We recommend*, That Section 1 of Article II of the By-laws be further amended so as to provide for the election of twelve trustees, instead of nine as at present.

"4. *We recommend*, That Section 2 of Article VII of the By-Laws be so amended as to read that 'At all meetings of the Board of Trustees five members, of whom the president shall be one, shall constitute a quorum.'"

"W. A. WILCOX, *Chairman*,

"A. E. PLACE, *Secretary*."

There was a motion to adopt the report by considering and voting upon each recommendation separately.

Recommendation number one was

(*Treasurer's Report continued from page 144*)

LOSS AND GAIN.

Farm Expense,	\$53.10	
Farm Rental,	200.00	
Small Fruits,	20.99	
Tools,	3.08	
Gain, Balance from 1902,		\$494.68
Dairy,		351.04
Team,		231.69
Miscellaneous Crops,		152.78
Vegetables,		103.67
Poultry,		14.80
Balance from 1902,	494.68	
Balance for 1903,	576.81	
	\$1,348.66	\$1,348.66

NEW ENGLAND BROOM AND BRUSH COMPANY.

Statement of Losses and Gains, from October, 1898, to December 31, 1903.

Merchandise—Cost of Manufacturing,		
Material,	\$6,051.29	
Labor,	3,440.91	
Manufacturing Shop Expense,	812.37	
Merchandise Sales,		\$9,154.25
Merchandise on hand as per Inventory,		165.95
Loss on Merchandise to below,		984.37
	\$10,304.57	\$10,304.57
Loss on Merchandise from above,	\$984.37	
Commission,	233.14	
General Expense,	646.22	
Donations,		\$513.29
Net Loss,		1,350.44
Loss in Operating,	\$1,863.73	\$1,863.73

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES,

December 31, 1903.

Accounts Receivable,	\$414.35	
Notes,	8.00	
Cash on Hand,	579.15	
Inventories,		
Tools and Implements,	152.81	
Manufacturing Shop Expense,	23.21	
Material,	1,582.09	
Merchandise,	165.95	
Accounts Payable,		1,419.34
Purchase,		378.22
Employees,		1,863.44
Loans,		
Net Insolvency,	740.44	
	\$3,666.00	\$3,666.00
Balance of Loss and Gain,	\$1,350.44	
Net Insolvency,		\$740.44
Investment Account,		610.00
	\$1,350.44	\$1,350.44

GEO. W. PALMER,

Treasurer of South Lancaster Academy.

AUDITOR'S REPORT OF SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY TO MARCH 1, 1904.

Summary of Total Amount of S. L. Academy, Old Debt Payable, March 1, 1904.

Accounts Payable,			
Personal,	\$1,483.07		
Sundry,	3,713.82		
		\$5,196.89	
Notes Payable,		41,876.46	
Interest Payable,			
Paid,	\$5,574.28		
Accrued and Due,	934.54		
		\$6,508.82	
Old Debt Expense, Unpaid,		139.92	
			\$53,722.09
Gross Amount of Old Debt,			
March 1, 1904,			
Paid on Old Debt to Date,		30,401.73	
			\$23,320.36
Balance to be Paid (Details in the Following Statement),			

Summary of Balance of S. L. Academy, Old Debt Payable, March 1, 1904.

Notes Payable. Balance unpaid,	\$21,326.26	
Accounts Payable,	919.64	
Old Debt Expense,	139.92	
Interest Payable to Date,	934.54	
		\$23,320.36

Annual interest on the above is increasing the debt yearly to the amount of,	\$877.05
Sundry Expenses (Estimated),	122.95

Annual Rate of Increase, \$1,000.00

March 1, 1904,	
Total Amount of Interest Paid by the Academy to Date,	\$32,278.51

Report of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of Old Debt Department, S. L. Academy, to March 1, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

C. O. L. Funds,		
From Tract Societies (on account from C. O. L. sales),	\$30,258.26	
From Individuals, Donations,	28.14	
		\$30,286.40
Old Debt Funds,		
From Donations,	.63	
From Interest Receivable,	14.47	
From Notes Receivable,	126.72	
From Accounts Receivable,	280.44	
		422.26
		\$30,708.66

DISBURSEMENTS.

For Accounts Payable,		
Personal,	\$1,483.07	
Operating,	2,556.27	
		\$4,039.34
For Notes Payable,	\$20,550.20	
Less Donation,	97.50	
		\$20,452.70
Interest Payable,	5,574.28	
C. O. L. Expense,	126.50	
O. D. Expense,	237.91	
		\$30,430.73
For Tent Property Investment (West Virginia Conference),	\$168.25	
For Auditor's Cash Adjustment (Cash shortage unaccounted for June 25, 1902),	100.00	
		\$30,698.98
Feb. 29, 1904, Cash on hand,	9.68	
		\$30,708.66

D. B. PARMELEE, Auditor.

considered at length. It was pointed out that this action was in harmony with the counsel of the spirit of prophecy. Several of the original stockholders were present and, after consideration, spoke in favor of this change. It was carried unanimously.

Recommendations 2, 3, and 4 were each considered and carried.

On motion the meeting adjourned to 3 P.M.

H. W. COTTRELL, *President*.
FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary*.

Fourth Meeting.

THIS meeting was called at 3 P.M., March 16, 1904. President Cottrell in the chair. Prayer by D. B. Parmelee.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Upon their request, owing to pressure of work incident to their reports, D. B. Parmelee and George W. Palmer were excused from further service on the Committee on Plans. P. F. Bicknell, J. W. Watt, and Frederick Griggs were added to the committee.

The Committee on Nominations submitted their report as follows:

For President, Hampton W. Cottrell; for Secretary, Frederick Griggs; for Treasurer, Geo. W. Palmer; for Auditor, Dwight B. Parmelee; for members of Board of Trustees, Hampton W. Cottrell, William A. Wilcox, Albert E. Place, John W. Watt, Preston F. Bicknell, Charles H. Edwards, George E. Langdon, J. Edward Jayne, Edward J. Dryer, Rufus A. Underwood, Sands H. Lane, Orville O. Farnsworth; for advisory members, R. D. Hottel and S. G. Huntington.

Voted: That A. E. Place and Frederick Griggs act as tellers.

It was moved to adopt the report of the nominating committee. After some discussion ballots were cast.

The report of the tellers revealed that the nominees were elected, and the chairman so declared.

The Auditor made a report of "Christ's Object Lessons" as follows:

CONFERENCE QUOTAS AND ORDERS FOR "CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS."

March 1, 1904.

Church members reported Dec. 31, 1901.	Conferences.	Member basis for C. O. L.	Total quota.	C. O. L. ordered as reported to Academy to Mar. 1, 1904.	Balance to be ordered.
1,213	New England	1,141	6,846	6,846	
1,750	New York	1,706	10,236	5,935	4,301
1,700	Pennsylvania	1,575	9,450	5,248	4,202
510	Maine	450	2,700	1,795	905
500	Vermont	500	3,000	2,163	837
894	{ Greater N. Y. } { New Jersey }	825	4,950	4,078	6,782
675	Chesapeake	635	3,810		
375	Virginia	350	2,100	1,816	344
390	West Virginia	360	2,160		
8,007		7,542	45,252	27,881	17,371
Miscellaneous territory and foreign.					
* { P. P. Co., 900					
{ Canada, 28					
				928	
				28,809	

*\$321 value.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT SHOWING "CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS" SUMMARY AS RECORDED IN S. L. A. BOOKS, O. D. DEPARTMENT UP TO MARCH 1, 1904.

DEBITS ON LEDGER ACCOUNTS.			CREDITS ON LEDGER ACCOUNTS.			BALANCE.
Conferences	C. O. Lessons charged.		Cash rec'd by Academy.	Discounts allowed for "Advance Orders."	Expense, postage, express, freight, etc.	Due from societies.
	Number	Value				
New England,	6,846	\$8,557.50	\$8,120.75	\$62.00	\$77.58	\$297.17
New York,	5,935	7,418.75	6,965.93	83.00	317.77	52.05
Pennsylvania,	5,248	6,560.00	5,468.01	107.00	163.54	821.45
Maine,	1,795	2,243.75	1,992.63	34.55	179.07	37.50
Vermont,	2,163	2,703.75	2,495.29	67.15	46.75	94.56
West Virginia,	1,816	2,270.00	495.00		4.98	1,770.02
Virginia,	48	60.00				60.00
P. P. P. Co. and R. & H. for Greater New York, New Jersey, Chesapeake, and Virginia.	4,030	4,987.50	4,113.01	86.25	579.96	208.28
	27,881	\$34,801.25	\$29,650.62	\$439.95	\$1,369.65	\$3,341.03
Paid by Academy,					126.50	
Canada,	28	35.00	33.89		1.11	
P. P. P. Co. and R. & H. sent to miscellaneous territory and foreign.	900	636.75	573.75		63.00	
	28,809	\$35,473.00	\$30,258.26	\$439.95	\$1,560.26	\$3,341.03

ESTIMATE OF "C. O. L." TO BE SOLD TO CANCEL QUOTA.

"Christ's Object Lessons" in hands of tract societies according to balances due March 1, 1904,	2,673
"Christ's Object Lessons" to be ordered by tract societies to cancel former estimated quotas,	17,371
"Christ's Object Lessons" to be sold,	20,044
Total value of the above at their selling price, \$1.25,	\$25,055.00
Estimated cost of expense on the same, based upon the average shown for sales and expenses reported, 7 3/4 cents each,	1,553.41
Estimated proceeds from sale of "C. O. L." quotas, with which to cancel balance of old debt,	\$23,501.59

The report was discussed at length. It was the sense of the meeting that this full and accurate report would be the means of enabling our people to take up the work of "Christ's Object Lessons" in the Atlantic Union Conference and carry it forward to completion.

On motion the report was adopted.

Adjourned to Thursday, March 17, at 9 A.M.

H. W. COTTRELL, *President.*

FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary.*

Fifth Meeting.

MEETING was called to order at 9 A.M., March 17, 1904. H. W. Cottrell in the chair. Prayer by D. W. Johnson and H. W. Cottrell.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Plans submitted a further report as follows:

"5. We recommend, That our fiscal year be from September 1 to August 31, instead of from July 1 to June 30 as formerly, and that the annual corporation meeting be held, beginning the first Tuesday in November.

"Whereas, The Auditor's report on the 'C. O. L.' account shows that over \$30,000 has actually been raised and paid on the old debt from the sale of 'Object Lessons,' and that the remaining books due to this Union Conference, if sold at once and the money paid in, would be more than sufficient to entirely liquidate the old debt; and,

"Whereas, Every day that we delay this work, the interest is increasing this old debt at the rate of about \$3 a day, or about \$1,000 a year; and,

"Whereas, The Lord has repeatedly urged upon us the duty to arise and finish this work; therefore,

"6. We recommend, That all our conferences, and especially those whose quotas have not been sold, be urgently requested to put forth their best effort to hasten this work, and cut short this curse of debt and the

accumulating interest on the same.

"7. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our appreciation of the faithful and untiring services of Brother M. N. Cross to make a success of the Academy broom shop.

"Whereas, Experience has demonstrated the fact that in order to hold the trade and make a success of the broom business, it is necessary that the shop be operated continuously; therefore,

"8. *We recommend*, (a) The employment of steady help, as well as student labor, as the business shall demand.

"(b) That a competent man be secured to work in the broom shop and to take charge of the general business interests and the running of the same with Brother M. N. Cross as instructor.

"Whereas, It has been demonstrated in all lines of manufacture that a more uniform and greater production, and hence better financial returns to both employer and employed are assured by proper classification of work; therefore,

"9. *We recommend*, That the work in our broom shop be so classified that each operative shall concentrate his efforts continuously upon a particular part of the work.

"Whereas, The granting of credits to students has been one of the prominent causes of financial embarrassment to the school, and often to the student as well; therefore,

"10. *We recommend*, That further credits to students be discontinued except by special action of the Board of Trustees or (under its direction) of the local board."

Moved to adopt the report by considering and voting upon each item separately. Carried.

Voted: That the Treasurer be charged with carrying out recommendation number ten.

On motion, the meeting adjourned to 7 P.M., this day.

H. W. COTTRELL, *President*.
FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary*.

Sixth Meeting.

MEETING was called to order March 17, at 7 P.M., by the President, H. W. Cottrell. Prayer was offered by Elder E. E. Miles.

The Secretary's minutes of the fifth meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on Plans submitted its final report, as follows:

"Whereas, There is great need of workers in commercial lines; therefore,

"11 *We recommend* to the officers of the conferences in the Union Conference the work of seeking out and encouraging promising young men and women who show taste and natural ability to enter the commercial department of the Academy."

"W. A. WILCOX, *Chairman*,

"A. E. PLACE, *Secretary*."

After several earnest speeches in favor of the resolution, it was unanimously adopted.

The Auditor was then asked to make his final report:

"Your Auditor would submit the following report concerning the work done as related to the Treasurer's report, for the year ending June 30, 1903.

"The Treasurer's report having been given in divisions, I will make my report to conform thereto.

"I hereby certify that the report presented by your Treasurer concerning the New England Broom and Brush Co., is true and correct according to the best of my ability to ascertain.

"An examination has been made of the details of the records as kept by this department, and the records compare with the original vouchers.

"I also certify to the correctness of the report as rendered for the Farm Department of the South Lancaster Academy so far as the records are true and correct, and the reports which have been presented from which to write up the accounting of said department.

"Concerning these two departments, I wish to make certain qualifications in these statements.

"The showing of the Farm Department is one in its favor, having an amount of about \$1,000 on the gain side of its account for a period of about two years. While this showing is correct according to the records which have been given us as the basis for the entries in said books, there is a liability of misinterpreting the final showing, because of the way in which the produce of the farm has been loaded upon the Home during the term represented in the report. Also it would appear at times that excess charges have been made to the Home, so that while the Farm Department has shown a favorable increase yet in a measure it may be true that other departments have had to stand a loss arising from wrong methods and inequalities in handling the business of the farm.

"The showing made by the New England Broom and Brush Co. is of an adverse nature. I do not think, however, that the showing of the actual loss of this department is absolutely correct because of the fact that in one or two instances some items of expense have been omitted, and the work of inventorying has not been carefully handled, particularly in the latter period of the business.

"There is evidence which makes it appear that certain inventories are higher than they should have been placed, otherwise these balances would be likely to show less favorably than is reported by the statements.

"The items of the Treasurer's report for the year ending June 30, 1903, in its relation to the main work of the school, I believe to be true and correct, according to the vouchers and original entries which have been filed in the Academy office.

"D. B. PARMELEE,
"Auditor of So. Lancaster Academy."
"March 1904."

The Auditor's report was adopted as read.

Moved: That the Board secure the land for farming, upon which the lease expires with the close of this year, if it be deemed advisable and can be secured on satisfactory terms. Carried.

The minutes of this sixth meeting were read and adopted.

In harmony with recommendation No. 2, a recess was taken until October 11, 1904, at 10 A. M., in the Seventh-day Adventist church, in South Lancaster, Massachusetts.

H. W. COTTRELL, *Chairman*,
FREDERICK GRIGGS, *Secretary*.

SOMETHING YOU NEED.

A COPY of "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. VIII, has come to my hand, and I find it full of valuable instruction, which we as a people need just now.

This book should be placed at once in every Seventh-day Adventist home in Vermont. How shall we know what God would have us do unless we read and study the messages of warning he sends us? A failure to do this has caused much trouble and perplexity in the past. It is high time that we should awake out of sleep, and walk in every ray of light that God has given or shall give us.

I am sorry to say that there are homes among us where the Testimonies are not found; others where only a part of them can be found. This is not as it should be; all our people should become acquainted with what the Lord has said through the spirit of prophecy at different times since the message started.

Send your orders for Volume eight to E. W. Thurber, 190 N. Winooski Avenue, Burlington, Vt. Let us press into the light.

J. W. WATT.

"FOR the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him."

TO THE BRETHREN AND SISTERS IN MAINE.

Work that we do for others satisfies the soul. The warmth that comes into the heart as the result of unselfish efforts to win our fellow beings to Christ is uplifting. The letters received at the Maine Tract Society office from the brethren and sisters all over the State indicate a spiritual awakening, and a realizing sense of the importance of doing something in the strength of our God.

The startling events and terrible calamities of the present time are calculated to arouse the indifferent, and to make the true child of God feel a heavier burden for souls. If we give ourselves unreservedly to God to be used by him, we need not fear. Unseen agencies will direct our efforts and make our work productive of good. If every church in Maine will begin at once some systematic individual work for others and not become "weary in well-doing," we shall see results the coming season that will cause us to rejoice with a great joy.

God would not have us direct our eyes to some noted field laborer, expecting him to come into our State and do the work which has been given us to do. There are those who are hearing God's voice say, "I want you to give a paper regularly to your milkman or grocery man or to any other person who may come to your door." To others it says, "I want you to open missionary correspondence with individuals whom you can help." To others the call is, "I want you to scatter leaflets all through your village week after week," and to still others the word comes, "I want you to canvass for books which contain the message for our day." Whatever may be the call, are you ready to obey it? May God by his Holy Spirit impress your hearts, and lead you to connect with him in a way to have great gathering power.

E. H. MORTON.

AGED PILGRIMS.

It was my privilege to meet Mrs. Angelina Curtis, of Wilmington, Vt., a few days since, whose eighty-first birthday came March 18. The interview with her was a very pleasant one. It was certainly cheering to hear her talk of her hope of an immortal life, when this life is so near its close. She told me of her early life and how the Sabbath and message came to her. Alone in her family she began its observance, and for about thirty years she has kept it, having never seen a minister and but very few of like precious faith. She is a living example of what the grace and power of God can do to sustain one in life's perplexities, and is a standing rebuke to those who give up their allegiance because there are none about them to encourage them. Well has she heeded the exhortation, "Hold fast the beginning of your confidence until the end." I relate this as an encouragement to all who may be living alone, as so many of God's people are.

I also called on Stephen Pratt, of South Wardsboro, Vt., who is eighty-six years old. Brother Pratt was one of those engaged in the 1843-44 movement, and was confined in the county jail as the result of an effort to break up their meetings. Brother Pratt has probably kept the Sabbath longer than any one now living, having as he says begun its observance in July 1845, and having accepted the third angel's message in 1852.

To these old pilgrims, who live alone, it is a privilege to talk of the glorious things that lie just beyond; for to them the dark shadows lie before, and only the hope of life through Christ lights up the gloom and sustains them as they are so soon to lay down this mortal life. May we each be so faithful that we may meet them in the resurrection morning.

S. A. HOLDEN.

West Townshend, Vt.

The FIELD

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

IN company with Brother A. D. Gilbert, who is laboring in the interests of the *Signs*, I visited New London, Norwich, New Haven, and Bridgeport. One hundred and ninety yearly subscriptions were taken for the *Signs*, and several hundred copies of the Capital and Labor number were sold on the streets.

Brother A. J. Clark, at New London, has a good opening for work. A union church is open for him to use three evenings each week. This gives him an excellent opportunity to form acquaintances, and to make appointments for Bible readings with those who are interested. We trust that many souls here may yet rejoice in the message for to-day.

At New Haven several have decided to obey God, and last Sabbath I visited this place again for a baptismal service. Sister M. A. Scribner has been greatly blessed in her work here this winter, holding Bible readings and conducting other meetings. She also reports faithful work by some of the members in circulating tracts and periodicals from house to house. They are all much encouraged by the advancement of the work. Last Sabbath was a day of rejoicing in the Lord. Eleven were buried in Christ by baptism, and fourteen were given the right-hand of fellowship, and were received into the church. There are others who will soon go forward in baptism.

It was a blessed sight to see fathers, mothers, and their children (the youngest fifteen years of age) together following the footsteps of their Master. It will be still more blessed to see them all faithful and united in the kingdom of glory.

Some of these brethren have already entered the work of God in cir-

culating * books of present] truth. Brother Wilcox, our State agent, is working with them, and reports good success. Others are planning to engage with them. May God speed the work.

In Bridgeport I found a nice little company of believers who are holding up the standard of truth. Brother and Sister Whittier have moved here, and are endeavoring to advance the work, in holding public meetings, giving Bible readings in the homes, and distributing tracts. Some are interested. We hope a good company of believers will be the reward of the seed sowing here.

At another time, I will mention other places visited.

A series of meetings is now being held in the Hartford church. The attendance is not large thus far.

G. E. LANGDON.

FIELD WORK.

DEAR BRETHREN: Our last letter was written at Jamaica, and since then we have been somewhat broken up in the field work, yet we will report the rest of our visiting, trusting, as in the other report, that this one will enable you to hear from one another and better understand the situation of the churches and scattered ones as far as their church privileges are concerned.

At Windham we called upon Brother and Sister Earl Howe, Sister Axtell, Brother Stowell, and the families of Brethren Willard and Edwin Moulthrop. We found them mortal beings like the rest of us, subject to temptations and perplexities, yet having in their hearts an earnest desire to overcome and be victorious with the people of God.

At Athens we met Brother Thomas, some eighty-two years of age though but recently converted to the truth. This brother can read ordinary print without the help of artificial eyes, being blessed of God with good eyesight, and pretty good health.

Brother Bert Wilcox, recently with the Melrose sanitarium, is assisting his parents in the care of Brother Walston, father of our faithful brother Walston in Africa. Brother Walston expresses his desire that his son may remain at his post of duty to God, and the purchase of the blood of Christ, as long as the Master may indicate. Brother and Sister Wilcox seem as faithful and interested in the work of the third angel's message as ever, and we can but rejoice to note the special interest that these, with other of the brethren, take in the advancement of the cause of God.

At Bellows Falls we have but one representative of the truth, and we found Sister Crossett pressing forth with a firm faith in the work of to-day.

At Claremont, N. H., we found Sister Smith, a member of the Jamaica church, still studying the truths and drinking in the living waters of life. Her heart is so weak that she is not able to be canvassing, but her spiritual heart is in the work, notwithstanding.

Others in the line of our visit were Sister Foster, of Perkinsville, the families of Brethren O. J. and A. B. Lyach, of Sheddsville, Sister Johnson and family of Windsor, Brother and Sister Kendrick and Brother Comings, of Cornish, N. H. We find these people pressing on in the light that is shining on our pathway. Though Satan seeks to hinder, God's help and mercy is ever manifest, and will protect all who put their trust in him.

Upon reaching Taftsville, we received word of the sickness of our family in Burlington, and took the first train home, but found the sick doing well, and returned to the field work. On the return trip to Taftsville, we made a stop off at Brother Thurber's, in Montpelier. They were rejoicing in salvation in Christ, and were burdened with the work in their corner, as we all should be in ours.

The school at Taftsville is now

having a vacation, though all were making preparations for the summer term. Sister Williams was visiting in Massachusetts, and Sister Barrows, in West Brookfield; but we found the rest of the people, though living some distance apart, yet trying to "press together" and aid the work as best they can.

Our time being limited, and the traveling growing poor, we had to lay out a straighter line home than we had planned. At Randolph the brethren are working for souls, and are anxious that something more should be done there. We made short calls on Brother A. D. Ladeau, at Braintree Hill, and also on Sister Archer and Sister Bourne.

At West Brookfield we found the families of Brethren E. P. and M. F. Cram, and if there is any meaning in being placed upon a hill, surely they have a chance to let their light shine. We visited Sister Emma Barrows who is making her home with her sister, Sister Untiedt, during the vacation of the Taftsville school, and also attended the Sabbath-school which meets at the West Brookfield school-house for the present. The following Sunday we were invited to speak in the Congregational church, where a good interest was manifested in the service.

At East Roxbury we visited Brother and Sister Kidder, and passed on to Northfield, where we made short calls upon Sister Perry, Sister Jones, and Brother and Sister Garvey, and then went on to Waitsfield and found Sister Lillian Porter and her mother, Sister Smalley, and Sister Martha Chipman, at Moretown.

We returned our team to Brother Needham, at Vergennes, having been able to reach many families who were so far from railroad points that otherwise this line of work would have been quite expensive. As it is we have incurred but very little expense in the eight weeks' trip.

We have made mention of most of

the families visited on this trip, as they were more scattered than those of our other report, and have dropped in some special thought which applies no more to their special condition or experiences than to the rest. But we are made glad to see the earnestness of the Vermont people, and trust that the whole State will show the same untiring zeal, the same love for souls, and the "more earnest heed" to the things which we have heard—the truth—and press forward in the work before us.

Another point quite prominent is the special interest the Vermont people express in the removal to Washington, D. C., and we trust that the brethren there will remember that there are fervent prayers ascending to the throne of grace, hopeful faces turned towards this new field, and a faith which works back of the prayers and hopes.

We had planned to visit other portions of the conference in this line, but the traveling is bad for this work. Then, too, the Conference Committee met earlier than they at first planned, so it necessitated a postponement of other visits. We speak of this that some who may have expected a call may not feel slighted, and also to state that Elder Watt may have opportunity to visit these other portions of the State.

F. M. DANA.

PORTLAND, ME.

THE following items in regard to the work here, may be of interest to those who read the GLEANER.

One sister, who accepted the Sabbath under Brother and Sister Dexter's teaching, says, "I never loved the Bible as I do now." She was a Congregationalist, and has been undecided as to baptism, but has after considerable study made up her mind to go forward when the opportunity offers. She is already doing some missionary work among her friends,

and takes special pains to call their attention to the true Sabbath.

Another lady, who has only recently begun to obey, remarked that now when Saturday came, it did not seem like other days. She is a member of the Lutheran Church, and expresses herself as much pleased with our service, contrasting the social meeting in our little hall with the coldness and formality found in the great congregations which gather in the cathedral where she attends.

A member of the First-day Adventist Church, living at Woodfords, is deeply interested, writes down the references given at my readings, and seems glad to find advanced light.

Several others, mostly in Westbrook, admit the truth, and I believe that they will obey.

One woman who professed to accept the Sabbath about a year ago, had previously been interested in Spiritualism, and has found it hard to believe that "the dead know not anything;" but she has expressed a determination to take the word of the Lord and believe that.

It seems strange that those who have had abundant opportunity, through the tent meetings and otherwise, to decide for or against the message, should remain undecided. Many of this class are still willing to read; are pleased to have our people call; and seem loth to give up all interest in this work.

I called upon an elderly couple in the city, and to my surprise found them reading "Great Controversy" lent to them by a Methodist neighbor. Since then they have gladly read everything given to them. They are Scotch people, poor, but earnest, and apparently consecrated.

The following incident related to me shows how the printed page goes before and prepares the way. A lady whom I visit bought a copy of "Bible Readings" years ago without knowing its doctrinal trend, and sent it as a present to her father in New Bruns-

wick. He read it with interest, was convinced, and later under the preaching of our ministers in his neighborhood, accepted present truth. Not long ago, two of his daughters, now living in Massachusetts, began to keep the Sabbath, and the book, since the death of their father, has come back to the one who bought it. She is under conviction, and is on the point of accepting the message.

A quietly conducted work of opposition is being carried on, especially in Westbrook, to counteract the interest which was aroused in the minds of some through the tent meetings and Bible readings.

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that."

CORNELIA SNOW.

EDUCATIONAL

OUR ACADEMY AND
CHURCH-SCHOOLS

ACADEMY ITEMS.

SABBATH, March 18, the first meeting of the normal class was held. This is a class that has just been started for the purpose of helping those who are teaching classes in the Sabbath-school, and any other persons who desire to gain information and further knowledge in teaching.

The spirit of prophecy tells us that it is a noble thing to teach, and a blessed thing to learn. As no work is nobler than that of helping others to obtain a knowledge of God and his truth, should we not at least avail ourselves of the privilege of learning? If more of us improved every opportunity to learn, Sabbath-school superintendents would not so often hear, "I wish to drop my work as Sabbath-school teacher, as I feel that there are others who can do it better than I." We only learn by doing.

Some fundamental principles in teaching were given us by Professor

Griggs, chiefly the value, character, and necessity of object lessons in teaching.

All enjoyed the meeting, and we hope that more will take up this work. Every Sabbath afternoon at five o'clock the lesson for the following Sabbath is to be studied. This will be of special help to any who are teaching.

Mr. Kibler, one of our former students, is once more taking up work in the school.

Mr. Beckner has been making a short stay at the sanitarium in Melrose where his sister, Mrs. Dr. Otis, is taking up her work.

Thursday evening the members of the Philosophical Society held an open discussion on the Russo-Japanese war which was heartily entered into by all—by *all*, we mean the thirteen who belong, for this is the limited number. Next week their talk will be along the line of Mormonism.

The usual meeting of the seminar was held Thursday evening. Mr. Haynes and Mr. Robbins spoke on the second resurrection, Mr. Peart, on courage, for practical work. The subject for consideration next week is the "Judgment." This will be the regular open meeting.

A pleasant time is reported on Thursday evening in the way of a reception given the seniors by the juniors. The following was the program for the evening:

Instrumental Solo,	Myrtle Miles.
Welcome Address,	Stanley Morian.
Cornet Solo,	Charles Ulrich.
Class Prophecy,	Hattie Needham.
Trombone Solo,	Charles Howard.
Instrumental Solo,	Miss McOrmonde.
Refreshments.	
Farewell Address,	Myrtle Miles.
Remarks of appreciation by the president of the senior class,	Mr. Jones.

The juniors and seniors in our school always maintain the most friendly feeling toward each other, and are associated together with no class distinctions or rivalry. We are

all here for the same purpose,—the building of character. This should be our greatest aim, and it should also be made our business.

G. M. Q.

OLD MEMORIES.

THIS evening I gave myself up to reverie for a few moments, and during that time, I wandered back to dear old New England. Once more I lived over those days spent at the South Lancaster Academy—days that would have been all that could be desired of school life, had I spent ALL my time in the right way. Again, I saw many of my dear classmates, and the question rings in my ears, "Where are they all to night?" Some are laid away in the silent grave; some are earnest workers in the Master's vineyard; and others—ah! who would not wish it otherwise?

Another scene presented itself to me, and that was of my dear teachers, whose faithfulness in the classroom, and devotion to the cause of God, shown in their daily walk, led me to accept the Saviour.

If there is one thing I regret more than another, and which comes to me with much force, now that I have young people under my care, it is the trouble I often caused my teachers. I can not close without paying my tribute of thanks to Mrs. S. J. Hall, Miss Dickerson, Mrs. H. B. Tucker, and Professor Haughey for the interest they showed in me. May the Lord bless all the dear schoolmates of mine who may read this.

THOMAS ROWE,
Greenville, Tenn.

SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

Local Mean Time.

1904.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
April 1.....	6:25	6:24	6:23
April 8.....	6:33	6:31	6:30
April 15.....	6:41	6:39	6:36
April 22.....	6:48	6:46	6:43
April 29.....	6:56	6:53	6:50

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

"FEAR THOU NOT."

WHEN the claims of the canvassing work are presented, many people are like the man in the parable of the talents. They say, "I was afraid." They are "afraid to meet the people;" or "afraid they can not talk enough to sell books;" or "afraid they can not make a living for themselves and their families;" "afraid of failure" from one cause or another; and it is doubtless a fact that every man who, like the man in the parable, buries his talent instead of using it, will see his fears realized. But to every man or woman who is willing to use the talents God has given him, even though he may have but one, the Lord says "*Fear thou not*; for I am with thee: *be not dismayed*; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; Yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

The fact is, in many cases, that what they are really afraid of is work. This of course is not always the case; but it frequently is, and until there is a change in such individuals they are better out of the canvassing work than in it. God has no place in his cause for those who are seeking for an easy time. There is unceasing activity on the part of heavenly agencies, and this calls for energetic cooperation on the part of the earthly instrumentalities.

I trust no one will be deceived regarding the canvassing work. I think there has been some effort to make it appear that it is an easy, delightful occupation; that it is all plain sailing, with no crosses, and no hardship: but such is certainly not the case. This branch of service, like every other branch of God's work, calls for good, honest, hard work.

The kind of men who are wanted for the canvassing work are the ones who are made of the same kind of

material that the Waldensian missionaries were made of. Men who are not "afraid." Men who are willing to deny themselves, to endure hardship, to work hard, and who will not yield to discouragement, no matter what difficulties they have to meet in their work. Such men will have abundant success, and it is such men who will help bring about the revival of this work that the Lord has said will come. I believe there are many such men among us to-day, and that the majority of our people are really not looking for an easy time, but are willing to work hard for the Lord; but many of them have not known just how to go about it, and have not fully comprehended the importance and

dignity of the canvassing work, and that this is the work God has called them to do.

But it seems to me that just now—at the beginning of this season—is the time when every one of God's children should consider the claims of this work upon himself, as well as upon those within the sphere of his influence. We ought to have a wonderful revival of the canvassing work this spring. We shall have if all will seriously consider the present situation, the great work we have to do yet before the Lord comes, and the means at our disposal with which to do it. Everything is ready. Conditions are favorable; the people are hungry for the truth; God and the angels have

THE BOOK WORK.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. K. Achenback, Cumru,		D & R	4	25	5	13.00	3.25	16.25	
H. K. High, Schuylkill Haven,		H of M	5	39	15	22.50	5.25	27.75	84.50
H. J. Albright, Tamaqua,		H of M	4	25½	11	15.75	26.25	42.00	8.00
A. H. Osman, Lykens,		H of M	3	14	4	5.75	3.75	9.50	28.75
W. T. Hilgert, Philadelphia,		Helps	5				4.42	4.42	6.67
Totals,	5 Agents,		21	113½	36	\$57.00	\$42.92	\$99.92	\$127.92

Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. J. Heckman, Conemaugh,		D of A	2	3	1	3.50	.75	4.25	5.50
W. H. Zeidler, Allegheny,		P & P	5	23	8	18.00	12.75	30.75	22.50
C. F. Mahr, Monongahela,		G C	4	19	1	3.25	6.00	9.25	52.75
J. L. Zimmerman, Johnstown,		B R	4	28	9	23.75	2.25	26.00	3.50
Chas. Peden, Conemaugh,		B R	5	23	6	14.50	5.25	19.75	21.50
W. C. Fleisher, Pittsburg,		P of J	3	14	2	2.25		2.25	25.00
Ivor Lawrence, Felton,		Misc		21		9.50		9.50	25.75
F. Daughenbaugh, Huntingdon,		Misc	2	14	2	3.00	3.75	6.75	
Totals,	8 Agents,		25	147	9	\$77.75	\$30.75	\$108.50	\$156.50

Central New England Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
F. W. Stray, Greenfield, Mass.,		D of A	4	17	2	7.00	5.00	12.00	4.00
Totals,	1 Agent,		4	17	2	\$7.00	\$5.00	\$12.00	4.00

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
R. C. Andrews, Bristol, Conn.,		P & P	5	25			5.80	5.80	67.00
J. Alexander, New Haven, Conn.,		Misc	5	17		7.00		7.00	10.75
J. W. Sypher, New Haven, Conn.,		D of A	4	27		17.50	2.75	20.25	47.25
Totals,	3 Agents,		14	69		\$24.50	\$8.55	\$33.05	\$125.00

prepared the way, and are working with all who go. The other day one of our canvassers, working in territory that had been canvassed several times before, took orders for \$15 worth of books the first day. The second day he took \$8 worth, although he worked only half the day. This is nothing remarkable or even unusual; but what could any one ask for better than that? When our efforts are so liberally rewarded, surely we are inexcusable if we do not make any effort. May the Lord help us all to arouse and yoke up with Christ for service, and although we shall have crosses and hardship and privations to endure, yet

we shall find that, after all, his "yoke is easy," and his "burden is light."

F. E. PAINTER.

CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE FOR VIRGINIA.

It has been decided to hold a canvassers' institute in this conference some time in May. The exact date and place will be announced in a later issue of the GLEANER. Let all arrange to be present at this institute. The conference committee and the laborers of the State will also be present. Full particulars will be given later.

R. D. HOTTEL.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

THE EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.

—Three have recently begun to keep the Sabbath at Williamsport.

—The Eastern Pennsylvania Conference holds its annual conference April 14 to 20, at Williamsport, Pa.

—Elders S. S. Shrock and J. H. Schilling have recently had a battle with *la grippe*. We are glad to learn that the latter has been defeated, and the elders are in the field again.

—The North Philadelphia church has finished painting its chapel at 1942 North Seventeenth Street. It is a neat and comfortable place of worship. The church is growing in numbers and strength.

—The daily papers of Williamsport have recently been giving full reports of sermons preached by R. A. Underwood Sunday evenings on such subjects as the "Eastern Question," "The Struggle Between Capital and Labor, and What It Means," "The Three Worlds," "The Millennium," and "Who Changed the Sabbath?"

—The Atlantic Union Conference auditor, Elder J. E. Jayne, has just completed the audit of the Eastern and Western Pennsylvania Conference and Tract Society books, at Williamsport. The brethren at Williamsport enjoyed Elder Jayne's stay with them, and wish him success in his important work in the Union Conference.

—The members of the West Philadelphia church have nearly paid for their lot upon which they expect to build a church, and now they must have donations for the building. The work in Philadelphia in the evangelistic and medical lines presents features of progress.

—Elders A. G. Daniells, H. W. Cottrell, and the members of the Western Pennsylvania Conference Committee are expected to be in at-

Maine Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. E. Boothman, Jackson and Greenville,	H of M,	C O S	4	36	35	30.85	4.75	35.60	18.00
Abbie Webber, Clinton,		C O L			23	19.25		19.25	
Totals,	2 Agents,		4	36	58	\$50.10	4.75	\$54.85	18.00

West Virginia Conference, Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
G. B. Mason, Fairmont,		P H	3	24			1.00	1.00	40.00
Mrs G. B. Mason, Fairmont,		P H	4	17	6	1.50	8.75	9.25	15.00
F. M. Gardner, Charleston,	H of M		3	16	1	1.25	3.50	4.75	11.70
J. B. Clark, Charleston,	H of M		5	28	1	1.50	10.75	11.25	20.75
Mrs. J. B. Clark, Charleston,		Bibles	1	4	5	14.75	.50	15.25	5.25
J. H. Jennings, Charleston,	H of M		3	13½			1.75	1.75	5.30
Totals,	6 Agents,		19	102½	13	\$19.00	\$26.25	\$45.25	\$98.00

Vermont Conference, Week Ending March 11, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
G. H. Clark, Pownal,	H of M		4	27	16	20.00	11.75	31.75	1.25
Mrs. E. P. Hathaway, Bennington,	L G		3	8	1	3.50	.40	3.90	11.50
Mary A. Wilkins, Bennington,	C O L		4	9	4	5.00	1.35	6.35	
Totals,	3 Agents,		11	44	21	\$28.50	\$13.50	\$42.00	\$12.75

Week Ending March 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
G. H. Clark, Pownal,	D of A		2	17	1	3.50	18.55	22.05	138.00
Mary A. Wilkins, Bennington,	C O L			5	1	1.25	.85	2.10	3.35
Mrs. E. P. Hathaway,							.40	.40	
Totals	3 Agents,		2	22	2	\$4.75	\$19.80	\$24.55	\$141.35

U. C. Totals March 18,	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
28 Agents,	89	507	120	\$240.10	\$138.02	\$378.12	\$670.77
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
24 Agents,		467	159	\$339.75	\$117.60	\$457.35	\$66.50

tendance at the annual conference of Eastern Pennsylvania April 14 to 20, to meet with our ministers, delegates and all in attendance from the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference.

—It is expected that soon after the annual conference of Eastern Pennsylvania April 14 to 20, there will be a separation of the tract society interests and responsibilities between the Eastern and Western Pennsylvania Conferences.

—It is expected that the Western Pennsylvania Conference will locate their headquarters at Corydon, Pa. The location of the headquarters for the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference will be decided by the delegates at the soon-coming conference.

—Reduction of one-third fare has been secured for all attending the annual conference at Williamsport, Pa., April 14 to 20. Delegates and all coming to the meeting should apply at once to V. H. Cook, Williamsport, Pa., for card orders, in order to secure the reduction in fare.

—This conference will be an important meeting in the history of the work of the third angel's message in the State of Pennsylvania, and especially so to the eastern part of the State. Our people should earnestly pray that the spirit of wisdom, and understanding shall pervade all its councils.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

VERMONT.

—Sister Adams, of Northfield, is visiting Sister Odette in Burlington.

—You will find a report of the Vermont Conference Committee in another column.

—Brother Clark, who has put in a faithful canvass at Bennington, is now in Brattleboro, and will make that his field of labor for a while.

—Brother and Sister Ladeau, at Randolph, are happy in the addition of a son to their family. Sister Car-

dell who has been with them has returned to her home in Northfield.

—Sister Roscoe is now taking treatment at the treatment parlors; and we trust that with the blessing of the Lord she will soon be able to take up the work in the field, ripe for the harvest that is soon to be gathered.

—Brother Purdon has been troubled with the rheumatism for a portion of the winter, and even now is not able to use one arm without pain; hence he is not able to be so actively engaged in the work as he would desire.

—We were made glad to hear some of the favorable reports that Brother Needham gave us of the work at the capital, and trust that the prayers of God's people will continue to go up for the brethren who have special burdens resting upon them in the work at this time.

—The work at the treatment parlors has been a success thus far, and we can say that in meekness and fear (1 Pet. 3:15) many phases of the truth have been presented, in response to the natural questions asked by people that have come to this place for treatment. Now that this good work has been started, shall we not help to sustain it till it is well established? Donations are yet in order, and we trust you will also remember this line of work in your prayers, that the blessing of the Lord may continue to attend the workers and the patients.

F. M. DANA.

APPOINTMENT.

THE first annual session of the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as is necessary, will be held in the Adventists' chapel at Williamsport, Pa., April 14-20. The first meeting will be held Thursday evening, and the first business meeting of the delegates will be held Friday, April 15, at 10:30 A.M.

Each church is entitled to one delegate for its organization and one additional delegate for each ten members. In the judgment of the conference committee there are reasons sufficient for calling a meeting of the conference at this early date. Doubtless there will be no camp-meeting held in the Eastern Pennsylvania Conference the present season.

The meeting is desired in view of the division of the tract society work and the management between the Eastern and Western Pennsylvania Conferences, which is soon to take place, besides other important matters requiring a meeting of the delegates.

The conference will be held in the chapel connected with the tract society building. Delegates should come prepared to care for themselves the same as at a regular camp-meeting. A dining table will be conducted, where tickets can be secured at the rate of six for one dollar. Rooms can be rented for lodging in the city.

Those desirous of so doing, may bring bedding, and cots and beds can be arranged for in the tract society building, so that lodging will not be expensive for those willing to take up with such arrangements.

We hope to secure a reduction in railway fare of one-third off on round-trip tickets.

Write to V. H. Cook for rates and card orders. All churches should elect delegates to the conference at once. Notify V. H. Cook as soon as possible here at Williamsport, Pa., how many will come from your church and what they will need in the way of rooms to rent, etc.

Good help will be present from the Union Conference to make the meeting a great blessing to the cause in this conference. Let all come praying for the outpouring of the Spirit as the all-conquering power in this work.

In behalf of the conference committee,

R. A. UNDERWOOD.



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THE book "How a Little Girl Saw Africa, Told by Herself," written by Leona M. Bicknell, and noticed in the *Review and Herald* of March 10, will be ready May 1. Price, ordered through your State tract society, eighty cents.

THE semiannual collection for the James White Home and the Haskell Home will be taken in our churches, Sabbath, April 2. There are one hundred children and their teachers, and forty aged people with their guardians, entirely dependent upon these offerings for their support. It has been an unusually severe winter; "the treasury is empty, and those who have the work in hand are distressed to know what to do." "Remember" "them which suffer adversity, as being yourselves also in the body."

WEST PENNSYLVANIA TENT FUND.

DEAR BRETHREN AND SISTERS: We have ordered our new tent for the summer campaign, but our tent fund is quite a little short of the required amount. I know that this conference is anxious to see the work go in its borders, and therefore I feel confident that many of you will be impressed to respond to this call for means. We not only need more money for the tent fund, but we need to have a camp-meeting fund. We do not want to be compelled to use the tithe for such purposes. June 16 to 26 is the date of our camp-meeting, so it is evident

that it is time for us all to begin to think about it. We who have the responsibility of making the necessary arrangements for such an important gathering feel anxious to have the means on hand before the time arrives. We trust that every one who has this cause at heart and can assist us by his means will do so, even though it be but a small donation. If one-half of the members of this conference would give from twenty-five cents to \$1 apiece, we should have an abundance of means for that purpose. We trust that those that made pledges last fall, and have not yet paid them, will do so as soon as possible. I trust that the leaders in each church will do all that they can to interest every member in this matter.

Yours in the Master's service,
E. J. DRYER.

VERMONT NOTICE.

THE time appointed for the Vermont canvassers' institute is drawing near, April 25 to May 5.

We hope to see a goodly number at this institute who have fully made up their minds to enter the field and work for the Lord this summer. The church at North Wolcott will do all they can to make it pleasant for those who attend. If we are ever to do anything in this cause, it is time we were about it, for time is very short.

Our State agent, and others who have been in the field, have had good success, thus demonstrating that books can be sold in Vermont. In fact, this is very good territory for the canvasser.

Those who consecrate their all to God, and enter this work with confidence and firm trust in him will doubtless succeed. Souls everywhere are hungering for the bread of life,—a soul here and a soul there. Shall we search them out? Shall we carry to them in printed form the knowledge of a Saviour?

We desire to know very soon who will attend this institute. Will those who expect to attend write to A. W. Boardman, Wolcott, Vt., at once, that we may be able to arrange the matter of room and board? May the Lord himself lay the burden of this work upon those whom he would have in the field in Vermont, and may we all stand in our lot and place.

J. W. WATT.

APPOINTMENTS.

NO PROVIDENCE preventing, I will meet with the following churches for quarterly meeting at the time named: Worcester, Mass., April 2 and 3; Keene, N. H., April 9 and 10; Lowell, Mass., April 16 and 17.

Those in charge will please arrange meetings as shall be deemed best.

A. E. PLACE.

"CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS" WORK.

THE "Christ's Object Lessons" work is still a live issue here in Maine. We now have our quota disposed of except a few hundred copies. Some are so situated that they can not directly engage in the sale of them. Are there not some such persons who would be glad to contribute to a fund to pay for the remaining books, so that we may stand free from this obligation.

A brother stands ready to push the sale of the book as soon as a fund is raised sufficient to start the work. He has already sold several hundred, and must support his family while in the work, so we can not expect him to go on without some commission on those he sells. Shall we not offer him fifty cents a copy on those he sells? Who will respond? Send money to our tract society office.

P. F. BICKNELL.

"BE ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh."