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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 GOSPEL HARVEST."

O THE morning, the bright golden morning,
When the saints shall together awake!
We look for thy glorious dawning,
For we know it is almost daybreak.
The signs of Christ's glorious appearing,
And the time when the trumpet shall sound,
We know, yes we know it is nearing;
For its omens now thickly abound.

We know that the third angel's crying,
That the loud cry 'll be heard everywhere,
To rescue poor souls who are dying,
And without hope must sink in despair.
We know that for reapers God's calling,
That the harvest is plenteous with grain.
To us the thought's most appalling,
That we let it waste on the plain.

Then on to the fields let us hasten,
To the fields that are already white;
Let us gather the sheaves that are wasting;
While 't is day let us work with our might.
Thy servants, dear Lord, are obeying;
At thy call they hasten away;
Then let all be earnestly praying
That there be no further delay.

Many loved ones have gone with the gospel,
To proclaim it in far-distant lands;
Though some of their number have fallen,
The work of the Lord still expands.
Speed on, then, the news of salvation;
Tell the world Jesus' coming is near,
Tell all that in this generation
The Saviour will surely appear.

Dear Saviour, thy children are sleeping,
The cold clods have pillowed their heads;
For loved ones the living are weeping;
Come quickly and wake up thy dead.

Caught away to those heavenly mansions,
To the city with streets of pure gold,
With delight they behold its expansions
As they bask in their pleasures untold.
GEO. W. HOWARD.

WALK IN THE LIGHT.

THE first step in the resistance of light leads to the second, and the second to the third, until no light, however strong, no evidence, however plain, has any effect. If a man is humble and teachable, his opposition will melt away, and his heart will be softened. Christ shows him the threshold of heaven, flushed with living glory. But this glory, which softens the contrite heart, only hardens the heart that will not yield to its rays. Truth shining upon a heart determined to resist, only leads to further resistance.

"Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him." Why did they not then bring joy to his heart by acknowledging him?—"Because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God." How pitiful is this statement! The maintenance of their dignity was of greater weight with them than the performance of their duty to

exert an influence on the side of truth and righteousness.

The Light of the world, Christ shows us the way to heaven, pointing out the advantage of treading in the path of obedience. John bears witness of him, saying, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. . . . All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. . . . And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, . . . full of grace and truth." "He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name."

The time of most solemn responsibility for the Jewish nation was when Christ was among them. It was then that the last test was given to them as a nation. Light from the living oracles of God shone upon them. Jesus spoke to them, and did among them works which no man ever had done or could do. But they would not receive him. This generation is passing over the same ground. To-day Christ is saying to many, You would none of my counsel. You rejected my invitation

to enlist on the Lord's side. You chose to be numbered with transgressors. Of those who reject the truth he is saying, If you are destroyed, you are responsible. You would not come unto me that you might have life.

The tempter offers his flattering bribes to all who will listen to him. He tells men and women that if they obey the Sabbath command, they will lose their position in the world and in the church. He presents before them many objections to an acceptance of the truth, telling them that their lives will be made unpleasant, that their reputation will suffer. Thus he tempted the Jews in Christ's day, and many who were inclined to follow the Saviour turned away from him for fear of temporal loss.

Christ has given his people messages of warning to give to the world. As these messages are presented, many are convinced of the truth. Then they begin to think of the sacrifice that obedience to the truth will involve. Truth makes its impression upon the heart, and is recommended by the conscience. But men begin to speculate. Why are there so few who believe this truth? they ask. Have any of the ministers or learned men believed it?

Many refuse to obey the truth through fear that they will lose their standing in the world. They allow the inconveniences in the pathway of truth to prevent them from following the Saviour. They do not realize that to reject truth means to lose eternal life.

The heavenly intelligences watch with intense interest the struggle between tempter and tempted. It is a life-and-death question that is being settled. Christ knows this, and before those whose souls are trembling in the balance, he holds up the sure test of obedience or disobedience, saying, "He that loveth his life"—his good name, his reputation, his money, his property, his business—"shall lose it;

and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal." He who hates the life which is lived in transgression of God's law, he who accepts the divine requirements, leaving God to take care of the consequences, will gain eternal life. "If any man serve me," Christ declares, "let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honor."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

ARE YOU FOLLOWING UP THE WORK THAT YOU DID WITH THE "SIGNS" LAST WINTER?

NEARLY eight months ago at one of our evening meetings held in the church at Burlington, Vt., a gentleman came in quite early in the evening, and in conversation with him it was found that this was the first Seventh-day Adventist meeting he had ever attended. He said that he did not know why he came, but having nothing else to do, he dropped in to hear what might be said.

Like many others in the world, he seemed to be searching for something that he had not experienced; and as he manifested a strong desire to know more about the message that Seventh-day Adventists are giving, I gave him the four special campaign numbers of the *Signs*, and invited him to come again.

Since then we have thought of the man many times, and wondered what the seed sown would bring forth. Today (July 8) he came into the office, and asked if we had any more of those papers, the *Signs of the Times*. He had read the ones given him over and over again until they were nearly worn out, and had inquired at the news stands for later numbers, but had been unable to obtain them. We supplied him with the Earthquake Special

and others of the regular issue, and took his subscription for a year. Thus the Lord is watering and blessing the seed sown, and we are hoping that it will bring forth an hundred-fold.

This leads us to suggest that the work done with the *Signs* should be closely followed. The Lord is doing and will do his part. His Spirit has gone out before us and is preparing the hearts of the honest seekers for truth to receive the message contained in our periodicals. We should cooperate with him, following his leadings, and make the best use of every opportunity. The ones to whom you gave the *Signs* or other reading may not return, as this one did, to get more reading, but they may be just as much interested, and would be glad to have you call on them with the light that the Lord has provided.

W. E. FORTUNE.

AN EXPERIENCE.

WE read that Peter went by the direction of the Spirit toward the south, to the way that goeth from Jerusalem unto Gaza. We are not informed what was the object he had in his mind, but he had a most remarkable experience in meeting with the eunuch. Such experiences may be expected whenever the people of God are in a condition to be directed by the Holy Spirit. Such an experience came to me a few days since. I went to a distant town to visit a family, and was disappointed in finding them all away but one man. I returned another way to visit a lonely brother.

Being weary with the long ascent of the hills, I stopped near noon to make some inquiries of a man working in the field. The fact soon developed that he was greatly exercised upon the Sabbath question. A man working for him soon joined us, and he said that he also had been thinking upon the Sabbath. This gave an opportunity to show them some truth upon this subject, and also to give

them literature upon present truth. A good dinner was given; and on parting, he seemed loth to have me leave. This interest was awakened by some of our brethren living in the vicinity. We shall find more of these opportunities if we look for them, and do not confine ourselves to our business too closely.

On the same trip I met another man who was reported two years ago to be a strong Sunday man. He said he had been receiving the *Signs of the Times* sent him by Sister Payne. He was very ready to talk upon the subject of the Sabbath. So we see the seed silently sown is germinating. May the Lord give a fruitful harvest.

S. A. HOLDEN.

The FIELD

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS.

THE third annual session of the Southern New England Conference convened at Middletown, Conn., June 14-24, 1906. The business of the conference was taken care of in five meetings, thereby giving the greater part of the time to the spiritual part of the meeting. Since our last session, through the efforts of Brother A. J. Clark, a company has been raised up at Middletown, which was admitted into the sisterhood of churches of this conference.

The following committees were appointed by the Chair to prepare the business for the session:

Committee on Plans and Resolutions: Brethren J. C. Stevens (Chairman), D. B. Parmelee, Charles Dyer, A. J. Clark, H. F. Ketrang, and F. E. Painter.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses: Brethren D. A. Bidwell (Chairman), F. C. Gilbert, W. R. Andrews.

Committee on Nominations: Brethren J. B. Hall (Chairman), W. J. Fitz-

gerald, G. B. Coates, R. C. Andrews, D. R. Leighton.

The following resolutions and plans were adopted:

Whereas, The marked blessings of our heavenly Father have attended the work during the past year,

1. *Resolved*, That we offer to God a tribute of thanksgiving by singing No. 227 in "Christ in Song."

Whereas, The conference "Newsletter" has been appreciated by our people, and has served to keep all informed with the progress of conference work month by month, therefore,

2. *Resolved*, That its publication be continued, and we further recommend that a sufficient number of copies be issued each month to place one in each family throughout the conference.

Whereas, There has been made a determined effort among us as a people to discredit both the spirit of prophecy and the management and organization of the General Conference, therefore,

3. *Resolved*, That we express our firm confidence in the Testimonies of the Spirit of God, and only deplore our own failure to fully meet the admonitions thus given us of our heavenly Father, and further,

Resolved, That we hereby affirm our confidence in the present management of the General Conference, and pledge them our hearty support in the efforts to speedily close up the work.

Whereas, We recognize that the time has fully come for a united, enthusiastic effort for the revival of the tract and missionary spirit which will result in "scattering our publications like the leaves of autumn;" therefore,

4. *We recommend*, (a) That in each church the local tract and missionary society be thoroughly organized, and that all its members be encouraged to do something definite every week for the circulation of tracts and periodicals, and the sale of the books on the forty per cent. list. (b) That each church in this conference select at least one person to engage in the reg-

ular canvassing work and place him in charge of the field secretary for instruction and training. (c) That special encouragement be given to young men who have capabilities, to enter this work with the definite object in view of becoming burden-bearers in it; that they be placed in charge of companies of canvassers, to help train and encourage them thus in gaining an experience that will qualify them to carry greater responsibilities. (d) That we indorse the plan of having our canvassers associated in companies. (e) That at least one canvassers' institute be held sometime during the ensuing conference year where all, both old and new canvassers, may gain a better fitting up for work, and that the conference, as far as advisable, pay their railroad fare and arrange for their entertainment during the institute.

5. *Resolved*, That our church and conference officers and workers put forth special efforts to place the *Review and Herald*, *GLEANER*, *Liberty*, and *Life and Health* in the home of every Sabbath-keeper in the conference.

6. *Resolved*, That we approve of the plan inaugurated last year regarding the book sales of our workers, and we recommend that the plan be carried out this year.

7. *We recommend*, That this conference support a religious liberty bureau, and that a religious liberty secretary be elected for the ensuing year.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Elder W. A. Westworth, President; Irene J. Cady, Secretary and Treasurer.

Conference Committee, W. A. Westworth, D. B. Parmelee, D. A. Bidwell, James Tefft, G. P. Coates.

Religious Liberty Secretary, W. R. Andrews.

Credentials were granted as follows: W. A. Westworth, J. C. Stevens, W. R. Andrews.

Ministerial License, A. J. Clark,

C. H. Reimers, H. S. Prener, H. L. Shoup.

Missionary Credentials, Matilda Thaler, Lora Tarbell, Ona M. Russell, Irene J. Cady, Harold Waldo, Charles Dyer.

IRENE J. CADY, *Secretary*.

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

JULY first I held my opening lecture in a new tent (40 x 60) on Bushwick Avenue, near Grove Street, with a good attendance and splendid interest. Subject, "The Voice of God in Earthquakes." We are in the midst of a fine class of people, and hope that some good may be accomplished.

We have stored our furniture, and live in a tent this summer. Brother Fred Schaff, of Iowa, serves as tent master, and Sisters E. Kehrein and A Meyer, as Bible workers. We have been kindly treated thus far by every one, with one exception.

Our tent lot is adjoining another tent (a Presbyterian English), and is in the neighborhood of four churches, two of which are German.

We ask the readers of the GLEANER to remember us in their prayers, that this work among the thousands of Germans may prosper to God's glory.

O. E. REINKE.

ALEXANDRIA, VA.

A FEW words about the work at Alexandria may be of interest. When I came here about April 1, under the direction of Elder R. D. Hottel, president of the Virginia Conference, I found three Sabbath-keepers who were still holding on to the precious truth, and much work needed to be done. By the help of the Lord we began our work, and in canvassing from house to house some souls became interested in the truth, and expressed their desire to keep the Sabbath. We have been having some very interesting Sabbath-schools.

Our tent came the 1st of June, and

we had it up ready to begin our meetings June 7. About an hour after we had it nicely trimmed, a storm came and tore it. Just in the midst of our trouble, Elder Hottel came, and told us not to worry, for he would send us another tent. We received it on June 18, and we were ready for our first meeting on June 19. The meetings have continued every night since with growing interest, and I sincerely hope that all the dear readers of the GLEANER will remember to pray for the work here.

L. MUNCE.

**FROM OUR MISSIONARY YACHT
"SENTINEL."**

It is one month since we left Boston. We spent the first Sabbath and Sunday in New York, and on Sunday the boat and its machinery were dedicated by the Greater New York churches. We also took on a supply of literature while in the city.

While in the Hudson River six miles from Cold Spring, the engine stopped, and we were a week trying to learn what was the difficulty. With the help of a man from Newburg, we cleared the sand from the carbureter, and since then she has run like a clock.

Sabbath and Sunday evening we had good meetings with the brethren and sisters at Fishkill, and left there on Wednesday noon for Albany, making sixty-eight miles that afternoon, with a head tide.

Friday morning found us working our way toward Rome, N. Y. At four o'clock we stopped over for the Sabbath at Amsterdam, a city of forty thousand inhabitants. I inquired if there were any Sabbath-keepers there, but found none. The reporter of the leading paper made us a visit, and gave half a column to our work. Brother Bowen was surprised that they would give such a straight item. About fifteen thousand readers had their attention called to the coming of

Christ in this generation, to the Sabbath as a test to the world and the spirit of prophecy a test to the church of God in the earth.

We arrived at Rome on Monday and remained for three days. I spoke to the people on Wednesday at a church outing. Brother Bowen with his wife, son, and daughter, accompanied us to Syracuse. We were there only ten minutes, when a reporter came aboard, and took an account of the trip, giving us a good report.

Sabbath and Sunday were spent at Rochester, and we had two good meetings with the church there.

At Adams Basin we had a Bible study on the spirit of prophecy. Seven persons were present, a number of questions were asked, and were answered from the Bible, and it was 11 p. m. before we closed.

We left there in the morning and arrived here at six in the evening, making seventy-six miles besides going through locks. I believe the engine is going to do noble service.

We have been cleaning up, and will begin work in the morning, as there are a number of vessels in port here. Buffalo is twelve miles from here, and South Buffalo twenty-two miles, with vessels strung all the way along.

We are enjoying good health, for which we give God praise.

J. L. JOHNSON.

Tonawanda, N. Y., July 4, 1906.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

SABBATH, June 16, I spent with the Hawley church, which is small in numbers, but large in faithfulness and in devotion to God and the truth. We enjoyed a good meeting together. During the week following, I went farther on in Wayne County to Galilee and vicinity, where we have a few faithful Sabbath-keepers, but where none of our ministers has ever been. I held one meeting in a schoolhouse. The roads were very muddy, and the

night was almost pitch dark, but we had a good house full of attentive listeners. There seems to be no prejudice against the truth, and I feel confident that there is an unusually good opening here for a large work to be done if a devoted, God-fearing worker goes there soon.

On Sabbath, June 23, I was with the Wilkesbarre church, where a blessed quarterly communion season was enjoyed. The church was well represented, and nearly all seem wide-awake and determined to act their part in pushing the work of the message to a speedy and glorious completion.

The last Sabbath of June, I spent with my home church at Scranton. We had an unusually large quarterly attendance, and the Lord was with us. Four dear souls were received into church fellowship. I never before saw this church in such a united, harmonious condition. The mid-week prayer-meetings are also well attended. To our God be all the praise. Let each strive to grow in grace and knowledge as it is found in Christ

Jesus, and thus see the good work continue.

Next Sabbath I expect to spend with the little company of believers near Carbondale.

I am of good courage in the Lord.
S. S. SHROCK.

DOUBLE CREEK, MD.

WE have now entered upon the fifth week of our tent effort at this place. The interest continues good. The attendance is not large, ranging from about thirty to seventy on week-day nights, and from as many as one hundred to one hundred and seventy-five on Sunday nights.

The people who attend the meetings seem to think our attendance is as large as could be expected, taking everything into consideration. We have preaching every night in the week, and give, upon an average, one Bible reading a day besides. At this writing, the indications are that some will walk in the light. There seems to be no opposition to what has been presented. The people are still kind

and considerate for our temporal needs.

We find as we labor on in this work that people are harder to impress with the importance of obedience than in years past. This reminds us that the "Spirit of God is being withdrawn from the earth," and the work that has been neglected in the past will have to be done under greater disadvantages, and under greater discouragements. But, believing that the work given us is to faithfully warn the world of the judgment to come and the soon coming of our Lord, we "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

Our attendance the last few nights has dropped down considerable. This we attribute to the neighbors' assisting one another in thrashing their grain. They go long distances to do this, and work until late. It requires from eight to ten days to get through with that work.

We trust we have the prayers of our people for souls at Double Creek.

JOHN F. JONES.

REPORT OF MAINE CONFERENCE.
Quarter Ending June 30, 1906.

Churches.	Tithe.	First-day Off.	Poor Fund.	Tract Fund.
Portland,	\$265.90	\$13.85	\$3.35	\$4.08
Shawmut,	157.30	5.82	1.00	
Washburn,	127.00	1.80		.50
Richmond,	86.23	1.50		1.00
Blaine,	82.19		.25	3.75
Deering,	79.94			
Individuals,	74.94		1.00	20.46
Hartland,	74.30			
Cliff Island,	63.76	21.86		
Dyer Brook,	59.68			5.00
Falmouth,	48.45	6.71		
Norridgewock,	38.60			2.00
New Sweden,	37.39			
Auburn,	34.00		.45	1.21
Bath,	29.00			2.00
Danforth,	26.05	2.60		
Augusta,	25.00			
Woodstock,	21.32	2.35		1.00
Brunswick,	14.00	2.60		1.00
Cornville,	10.80			
Canaan,	8.25		1.00	3.00
Bowdoin,	5.00			
	\$1,369.10	\$58.89	\$8.05	\$45.00

E. H. MORTON, Treasurer.

OUR JEWISH MISSION.

WE trust that our dear people everywhere are interested in this branch of the Lord's work, and are glad to hear from time to time of our continued prosperity. We are glad to say that the outlook is very encouraging, for while the demands of the work elsewhere have necessitated the continued absence of Elder Gilbert, and we greatly miss his help and counsel, yet God is with us. The interest seems to be deepening, and almost every day we are encouraged by fresh evidences of his presence with us.

At our meeting last Sabbath evening there was the largest attendance since the opening of the mission. God greatly blessed Brother Ufchmann in presenting the "Glad Tidings." A deep interest was manifested, and they went away saying,

"He spoke truth." "He has something for us."

The young rabbi previously referred to was present, and plainly told us that he had come to believe in Jesus as the Son of God, the promised Messiah, and now he is standing face to face with all the troubles and difficulties incident to a public confession of his faith—loss of position, of friends, of all he has held dear from his childhood up—and we ask all our dear readers to remember this young man in prayer that in this great crisis of his life he may be enabled to say with Paul, "Yea, doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ."

Our English classes are proving a potent factor in this work. Bringing us, as they do, into close contact with our students, their minds are disabused of prejudice, and their hearts are softened to receive the truth. At our last study three Bible readings were given, and earnest conversations were held, leading up to others in the near future.

We feel that much is being done in the way of removing prejudice and preparing the way for the truth by the faithful work that is being done by our sanitarium nurse and the sisters who go out into the homes of the people, and by their kindly ministrations win the confidence and love of these Jewish women. In one such home where the mother, having been tenderly cared for in sickness, wonderingly asked why they came to her; why they were giving their lives to this work, an earnest conversation followed, which resulted in their leaving a New Testament with her, which she promised to read. When they called soon after, she said, "I have read your book. My husband says your book makes me good, and he sits up nearly all night reading it."

And so the work goes on, and when

we consider how the minds and hearts of this people have been filled with hatred and prejudice by long years of persecution, we can only marvel, and say, "What hath God wrought!"

MRS. G. B. WHEELER.

SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

SABBATH-SCHOOL :
YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

SABBATH-SCHOOL CONVENTION, NORTH WOLCOTT, VT.

JUNE 30, it was my privilege to attend a good, stirring Sabbath-school convention held by the North Wolcott Sabbath-school. The interest manifested by our people in this convention was most commendable; some of them coming a distance of six, eight, and fifteen miles, in a hard rain-storm, to attend.

The program given in the convention number of the *Sabbath School Worker* was carried out. Each paper brought out some important and helpful thoughts. These were followed by an interesting discussion in which several persons would take part, emphasizing some points and adding others.

The first paper on "The Influence of the Sabbath-school" and the remarks that followed, showed that there was no work in the entire vineyard of the Master, of more importance than that of the *Sabbath-school*. Its influence is most far-reaching and lasting.

The young people's work was considered, and a desire was manifested to see the young people of this denomination respond to the call of God.

"The Greatest Need of Our School" would appropriately apply to every school; namely, the power to be and do that which we know is our duty, and also to show our earnestness in the Sabbath-school work by more thoroughly and faithfully studying the lessons.

A very interesting paper was read

on "How Parents, Teachers, and Pupils can best Work Together." Some thoughts mentioned were that parents may greatly help teachers by seeing that their children are prepared to recite the lesson, that they go to Sabbath-school in time, and by taking care not to criticize the teacher's work in the school. One way in which pupils may help the teacher is by giving respectful and careful attention in the class. Teachers should realize that they, with each member of the class, will stand before the judgment bar of God, and that in a measure they will be responsible for their souls; therefore they should work earnestly with the parents to win them for the kingdom.

The importance and possibilities of the home department work were presented. The interest in this branch of the Sabbath-school work is rapidly increasing; and is resulting in much good. One sister gave a ringing testimony in favor of the home department, expressing her deep interest in it, and the blessing it had been to her and her little family who could not often attend the regular school. Some questions were asked and answered, making the discussion of that subject lively and profitable.

"How to Become Better Teachers" was the subject of another excellent paper in which it was recommended to take for our model the Great Teacher, studying his methods and bringing the life to conform to his.

Another paper gave a description of an ideal Sabbath-school, and by it we were able to see very clearly wherein we fall short, and were also inspired to strive more earnestly to reach the high standard set for us.

The importance of beginning the Sabbath-school *on time*, and of a more thorough preparation of the lessons were emphasized in the discussions.

Interspersed among the readings were recitations by the children (which were very nicely given), also duets, quartets, and other music.

But, to me, one of the most interesting features of the program was the "one-minute talks," given just at the close of the convention, in which a large number took part. Each expressed appreciation of the many interesting and profitable things to which we had listened, the desire to correct faults which were pointed out, and the resolve that, with the help of the Lord, our Sabbath-school should come nearer to the ideal.

Brethren B. F. Colby and A. E. Taylor, from the Brownington school, also Brother and Sister E. H. Pierce, from the Hyde Park school, were present, and assisted in the convention.

We firmly believe the future of the North Wolcott school will prove that the interchange of ideas, upon the important subjects relating to the Sabbath-school work, was indeed profitable.

There are now remaining only three schools in the State, whose membership is really sufficient for a good convention, that have not held one. We sincerely hope these will be encouraged to earnestly take hold of the matter and hold one before this conference year closes.

The Lord is certainly blessing the Sabbath-school work in the "Green Mountain State."

Our watch-word is *Advancement*.

MRS. A. E. TAYLOR.

OUR NEGLECTED WORK.*

WHAT should we think of the father and mother who provided warm clothing and food for all the needy ones about them, while their own children were suffering for these necessities? How should we look upon our heavenly Father, should he send the rain, the sun, the plentiful harvest, all the good things of life upon the sinful worldling, and leave his own children in direst need, in distress, hunger, and want?

*Read at a Sabbath-school convention, Keene, N. H., Feb. 3, 1906.

Let us exercise care that we make not as great a mistake, and never realize it until too late. We must have a good number of the *Sabbath-school Quarterly*, we must have the *Worker*, we feel a necessity for giving to foreign missions, and providing literature for the home fields, and this is right and commendable. We bid it all God-speed, but what about the home field within the sacred precincts of *our own portals*?

Are we less responsible for the children and youth who are bone of our bone, and flesh of our flesh? Who is accountable under God for the breath of life in their nostrils? Does God count our duty toward them done when we have provided food and clothing for the *body* merely? Can we pray God that their whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of the Lord, if we have never taught them patiently day after day "precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little and there a little" when we sit in the house, when we walk by the way, when we lie down and when we rise up, how the sinful spirit, soul, and body we have given them may be made blameless before it can be preserved thus? How is it in our homes? We must have the *Review*, and all our good papers, the latest "Testimonies," etc., but what about the *Youth's Instructor*, and the new books for the young? "Oh, we can't afford *those*!" Why not? Are they indeed luxuries for the children of the wealthy, only?—Nay, verily, O father, O mother, they are *necessities* if we *really* desire our children to walk in the ways of the Lord.

"Is your son going to South Lancaster Academy this fall?"—"No, I don't see how I can spare him. We are so busy in the spring with planting, then the hoeing, haying, and harvesting, and this winter I must clear off that wood-lot." O man for whom Christ died, did he not die for your son, also? Think you God and the

holy angels count your wood-lot and your crop of corn of more value than your child's soul? If he sows to the wind, he will reap the whirlwind. If he is reared in ignorance, he will be of the number who are "destroyed for lack of knowledge." Upon whose garment will be the blood of his soul?

How is it on the Sabbath in your home? Be sure your child is far more observing than you think. Does he see you look for a cloud or for an indication of rain, and because the drive is long, willingly content yourself to remain at home? Perhaps the harness is broken. He noticed you did not take special care to go to town through the week to have it mended, so it might be in readiness for Sabbath. You are forming your child's habits for life. Taking God's day, intended for spiritual refreshing, for physical rest. Perhaps many hours are spent in sleep, after which mother is busy keeping the children quiet so father can read his paper.

The sun sinks behind the western horizon. You have missed another golden Sabbath opportunity, of which there can now be so few before our Lord's appearing. Another barrier is erected between you and your child. Rest assured his mind has not been idle all that long, long day. Perhaps you chide him that he wishes it to draw to a close; you say he should find his Bible interesting enough without books and papers. Do you find it so? Have you *made* it so to him?

If the church and Sabbath-school feel it is useless to take a paper for the youth, that to organize the youth so the church may teach them to labor more effectively is nonsense, that a church school is an entirely unnecessary expense, be sure there is something radically wrong in those *homes*.

Is the Lord repeating idle tales in our ears when he tells us again and again, "Gather your children into your *own homes*, and give them the word of God as the *foundation of all* their education," "*Work as for your*

life to save children from being drowned in the polluting, corrupting influences of this life"?

O brethren, sisters, we who hold the greatest truth the world has ever heard, who know there shall be delay no longer, but that the advent message will go to the world in this generation, as we look into the little blue or brown eyes that we love so much, and think those very eyes will see the King coming in power and great glory, let us ask ourselves whether they will light up with joy at his approach, or shrink in terror from his piercing gaze. Are we preparing our children to stand upon the sea of glass and sing the song of victory, or are we by *negligence* leaving them without shelter or mercy for the plagues to fall upon their tender bodies? I fear it will go hard with us in that day if we be found in such a case. Like Lot's wife, when the judgments of God fall upon our children, we shall look back, and so will be unfit for the kingdom of God. Shall we not, rather, so *be* the truth before our children that from their earliest infancy they will imbibe the spirit of this message; so that from their birth they will feel the call of God upon them, and know they have a John the Baptist work to do? Those parents who sense the importance of this work, and yet feel they lack the time and ability to so teach the young people in their homes, will be the ones who will gladly give time, money, and effort, that the Sabbath-school and church school may take up this work, and *supplement* the work of the home, *never* supplant it. Those who *are* doing this God-given work in their homes, will be the last ones to hinder this work in the church and the Sabbath-school, but will realize their need of grasping *every possible* means of help God has provided, that their work may not in the day of fire prove to be hay, wood, and stubble, but gold, silver, and precious stones; "that our sons may be as plants grown up in their youth; that our daughters may

be as corner-stones, polished after the similitude of a palace."

BESSIE M. BEE.

EDUCATIONAL

OUR ACADEMY AND CHURCH-SCHOOLS

"CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS."

THE arrangement which was effected at the Union Conference held last November, by which our brethren and sisters who felt it in their hearts to assist in the matter of the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" for the removal of the indebtedness resting upon South Lancaster Academy could do so, is still in force. The indebtedness has not been all removed. There are yet books to be sold. This arrangement contemplated the fact that we had many brethren and sisters who felt unable because of the circumstances of their work or because of disinclination, to sell these books; but who were willing to take some of them and donate them towards helping young men and women to attend South Lancaster Academy.

In order to properly carry forward this plan, the academy ordered two thousand of these books, and has them on hand. There is still the opportunity for those who desire to help the young people to attend school to purchase these books and donate them for that purpose to these young people. The two thousand books which were purchased would enable ten or twelve young persons to attend school for a year, if these books were donated by some of our brethren and sisters. It would also assist to the amount of hundreds of dollars in relieving the indebtedness upon the school.

Are there not churches in the Atlantic Union Conference who have one or more young persons in their midst who should attend the school, who will unite in thus enabling these young persons to attend the school by taking these books and using them as indicated? There is no nobler work

that our brethren and sisters can do than to encourage and assist worthy young persons in the gaining of an education. There is no surer way to spread the message than to prepare the living teacher. We shall be very much pleased indeed to correspond with churches or individuals who have these purposes in view.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

ROCK HALL (MD.) CHURCH SCHOOL.

THE closing exercises of the Rock Hall church school were held on Monday night, June 25. The occasion was somewhat different from those of preceding years, as at this time one of the students,—a young lady sixteen years old,—finished the work of the school. The exercises were held in the church, which seated two hundred and thirty; but then, many had to remain outside.

The address of the evening was given by A. J. Bristol, of Takoma Park. There were many outsiders present who have never been into our church before. Many of these expressed themselves as having enjoyed the exercises. The lady living next to our school is a Catholic; but the most kindly feelings are given by her to us. She had planned to attend the exercises; but on account of sickness did not enter the church, but sat out-of-doors and listened. She spoke especially of the address and music, saying that she liked the remarks of the speaker because he made them so practical. Her daughter (a Catholic) who is also a teacher in the public school, was present at the exercises.

After the exercises an invitation was given to all to look at the children's work, which was on exhibition in the schoolroom joining the church. This exhibition consisted of drawing, painting, paper sloyd work, sewing, map making, outline work, etc. The industrial study and work in our school has taken advanced steps during this past year. The children have become so much interested in this work,

that, by their request, I have found it necessary to give them extra lessons outside of school hours.

One Sunday afternoon when I had promised to give the children an extra lesson in sewing, upon arriving at the schoolhouse fifteen minutes before the appointed time, I was greatly surprised, yet pleased, to find the room open and every child at work.

The annual picnic of our school was held at the home of an aged couple, who, although not Seventh-day Adventists, gave us the privilege of spending the day with them on their beautiful premises, and a most enjoyable and pleasant day we had.

We have been able during the past year to do considerable work along the line of placing our literature in the hands of the people round about our school. Many of the little people have done excellent work with *Life and Health*, also with the "Story of Joseph." A number of "Christ's Object Lessons" have been disposed of. One of the druggists of the place, who is also a trustee of the public school, has very kindly given to our school many things of use to us for experimental work, etc., and so as a school we showed our appreciation of this kindness by presenting to him a copy of "Christ's Object Lessons." This is a copy of the letter we received from him a short time since:

"TO MISS TARBELL AND PUPILS:

"Your nice little appreciative present in the shape of a book was received in the same spirit, I presume that it was sent, a token of remembrance of some act. It is these little things that help to make life a success. I am convinced that we must lay a foundation before we attempt to elevate the superstructure of education; hence, I think the methods you use are just the way to start the little people. May your efforts be crowned with success, and all your scholars reach the goal to which your training points them. Allow me to thank you all for the present, and may the school

year ending of June, 1906, be the most successful for teacher and scholars.

"Very sincerely,

"— — —"

We have had a most pleasant and successful year. The children have far surpassed any year, as a whole, in doing good, thorough work. But I have noted with particular interest the sweet spirit that has entered into all of the children's work, showing that the Spirit of Christ is beginning to show in their lives.

I trust that the Lord may abundantly bless this branch of his work, that it may be a great factor in bringing souls to him.

LULA I. TARBELL.

AN INTERESTING EVENT.

AN event of much interest took place at the home of Sister Lucy B. Williams, of Hartland, Vt., Tuesday evening, July 3, when her daughter, Mabel L. Williams, was united in marriage with Mr. Robert J. Leo, of New York City, both being graduates from South Lancaster Academy of the class of 1905.

Miss Alice Williams, sister of the bride, and Mr. J. William Brown, of New York, stood up with the pair during the ceremony, after which all knelt while Elder O. O. Farnsworth, who officiated, invoked the blessing of God on the union of these two lives which are consecrated to a part in his closing work on earth.

In this prayer the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Leo will join.

As they go soon to accept a responsible position in connection with the work of the Pacific Press, and in whatever place the Lord may lead them, we unite in wishing them God-speed.

NAOMI L. WORTHEN.

WANTED.—A competent person for general housework in private family. For particulars, address Mrs. C. C. Nicola, Melrose, Mass.

MEDICAL MISSIONARY

SANITARIUM NOTES.

THE sanitarium family is constantly changing—some going, others coming, every day. During July and August many city people emigrate to the country in search of rest, recreation, and health, and this location and institution are ideal for any or all of these purposes. Patients, guests, and helpers are cooperating well in all departments, and there is a general air of hope and contentment.

The fourth of July was enlivened by a variety of exercises and entertainments which were keenly enjoyed.

Several special evening lectures with stereopticon views have been given. Health talks and answers to questions each Thursday, by Dr. Nicola, are practical and instructive.

A critical surgical operation a few days since was very successfully performed, and the patient is convalescing rapidly, and was able to be at our last Sabbath service.

Steps are being taken to increase the efficiency of the helpers by a more careful system of work than was possible during the period of rebuilding and change since the fire.

The strictly religious features of the message are made prominent, and there is much harmony in sentiment and action. Outside missionary efforts are also helped and encouraged. One of the nurses is assisting in the Hebrew mission in Boston in connection with Elder Gilbert; another is aiding Brother Palmer in his labor for the poor children of the city. Some strictly charitable work is likewise being done in the sanitarium.

For all these privileges and blessings we are thankful, and it is the constant aim to make the work of this institution a factor in the great gospel truth for this generation.

H. E. ROBINSON, *Chaplain*.

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

WE SHOULD DENY OURSELVES OF SELFISH PLEASURE.

GOD's message is speeding to the ends of the earth. Almost every field is entered. It was very gratifying to hear Elder Daniells tell us at the camp-meeting of the great number of missions established in the fields abroad the past year. Soon Jesus will come. Satan knows he has but a short time. In "Early Writings," we read, "I saw that Satan bade his angels lay their snares especially for those who were looking for Christ's second appearing, and keeping all the commandments of God." One needs only to keep his eyes open. As we go among our own people, we see many snares laid by the evil one. We need not wonder why the churches are asleep. Satan and the people in general hate us as a people. They say we are continually working against the churches, proselyting.

Satan begins, then, at the proper place, he makes the possessors of lands, homes, and money drunk with cares. Many set their affections upon those things. They seem to think when they stop work on Friday at sunset and rest till Saturday at sunset, it is sufficient; but Satan whispers into his angels' ears, They may profess what they please, only make them care more for the things about them, how they can make money to carry out their own gratifications, than for the success of Christ's kingdom or the spread of the truth.

Many of our sisters spend much time in moving and cleaning the many unnecessary pieces of furniture, and keeping the extra house room in order. If you are a mother, and it is impossible for you to leave home, why do you not offer a room or two to some one to come and canvass for our literature in your locality? If you are

in a position to canvass part of the time, set your house in order, and devote as much of your time as possible to the spread of our literature.

You, brethren, likewise, if you can not make canvassing your business, devote part to His service. If we are followers of Christ, we must deny ourselves these pleasures, and encourage our families to do the same.

Satan has weakened the courage and zeal of many Seventh-day Adventists. Covetousness and love of earthly treasures are the ruling traits of their character. "As long as these traits

rule, salvation and grace stand back." Satan and his forces are very busy. Destruction is in the world. Scenes will take place the fearfulness of which we can not imagine. I am anxious for our towns and cities to be warned. There is a work to be done by canvassing in our cities that has not yet been done. The blessing of God rests on the workers who warn those that are unready to meet him. Now is our time to work. I should like to see our cities canvassed. Many canvassers wanted at once.

J. R. EBERSOLE, *Elizabethtown, Pa.*

THE BOOK WORK.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
G. W. Holman, Lancaster,		D & R	5	33	18	30.50	.50	31.00	4.50
W. P. Wright, York,		H of M	1	½	2	3.00		3.00	
Rebecca Miller, Newbury,		H of M	5	19	13	19.50		19.50	
H. M. Minier, Sayre,		C O L	5	26½	5	6.25	8.50	14.75	
Mrs. A. Salter, Philadelphia,						.75		.75	3.00
Totals,	5 Agents,		16	79	38	\$60.00	9.00	\$69.00	\$7.50

Central New England Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. E. Gerald, Brockton,		P L	5	40	8	9.50	47.50	57.00	54.05
W. W. Rice, Newton, N. H.,		S of P	5	34	17	17.00	9.35	26.35	
H. C. Wilcox, Newton, N. H.,		C O L	1		8	10.00		10.00	
Totals,	3 Agents,		11	74	33	\$36.50	\$56.85	\$93.35	\$54.05

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
C. Dyer, Waterbury,		S of P, B R	3	19½	11	12.00	3.50	15.50	
R. C. Andrews, Waterville,		S of P	3	17	11	11.00	2.25	13.25	
C. Murphy, Waterville,		S of P	3	17	10	10.00		10.00	
Totals,	3 Agents,		9	53½	32	\$33.00	\$5.75	\$38.75	

New York Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Effa Gilbert,		C K	4	22	18	23.00	3.00	26.00	
E. W. Walker,		C K	4	25	7	8.00		8.00	4.50
A. R. Evans,		C K	5	44	40	56.00	15.25	71.25	
Mrs. Addie V. Scott,		C K	2	5	6	6.50		6.50	24.00
Fritz A. Evans,		C K	5	50	25	32.30	22.90	55.20	
Cuno P. Crager,		C K	5	40	48	67.00	2.75	69.75	
Wm. Seewald,		C K	4						102.00
G. F. Evans,		H of M	5	46	16	24.00	17.25	41.25	
Mrs. A. C. Cobb,		B R	4		5	24.00	6.00	30.00	10.00
Totals,	9 Agents,		38	232	165	\$240.80	\$67.15	\$307.95	\$140.50

ITEMS OF INTEREST

MAINE.

—A sister writes that she is planning to put our literature into every family in her town. Over forty families have already been reached by her in this manner. This is an example worthy of imitation.

—A former worker in the conference sent us twenty-two dollars back tithe last week. He is arranging matters with the Lord so as to enter the work in the fall, as a canvasser. The canvassing work will be revived soon in this State. The prayers of the faithful will prevail.

—During the month of June our colporteur called on one thousand two hundred and one families, and left with them what will prove "a savor of life unto life or of death unto death." We are told by the spirit of prophecy that "many will never get the truth unless it is brought to their door."

—Sister Webber writes, "These days are days of great blessing on account of the holy presence of Jesus. A divine love fills my soul. The Lord has wonderfully blessed me in canvassing for 'Christ's Object Lessons.' I find many who say the book is a blessing to them and that they have read it over and over again."

—The tithe this quarter is unusually large, in fact, the largest that it has been in this State for any one quarter in many years. Our company of conference workers has been more than doubled during the past six months, and we hope the tithe will come in so that many more Bible workers and ministers may be employed. The promised blessings are sure when the people individually do their part.

—We have arranged a new and systematic method of doing missionary work by mail from the Maine Tract Society, and we hope many will accept the truth as the result of labor thus

put forth. The course covers two months' time, and when completed we shall feel that the individual has been thoroughly warned of the conflict to come and of the importance of "walking in the light." The Lord is sending us names. We have about twenty now on our list.

—We are glad to notice that in many places where the people have been much prejudiced against our work there is a change, and they now receive our literature gladly. The elder of the Litchfield and Bowdoin church at one time thought his neighborhood a hard field, but he has had good success disposing of the Earthquake Special *Signs*. Nothing is too hard for the Lord, and all that is necessary to move hearts is more earnestness, more faith, and more prayer.

—Sister Wood writes that she has
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OBITUARY NOTICES

KNAPP.—Brother Wm. Knapp died at his home near Corydon, Pa., June 15, 1906. He was 76 years old and had been a firm believer in the message for thirty-five years. The light God had given him shone for many miles around. He always took an interest in the young people, and though our faithful brother sleeps, his influence will live on, and we believe that many souls will be saved as a result of his faithfulness. The funeral services were at Corydon. Sermon by the writer. H. W. CARR.

WOODS.—Died at New Market, Virginia, May 30, 1906, Silas R. Woods, aged 77 years, 1 month, and 19 days. He is survived by his companion and two children,—one daughter and one son. The companion and daughter have been walking in the truth of the third angel's message for many years, unopposed or hindered by the husband and father, who always seemed interested in the truth, but never gave evidence of fully accepting the same. About three years ago he became very seriously ill, and felt at that time that he was not prepared to die. We believe the Lord raised him up to give him an opportunity to accept and walk in his truth. He soon asked for baptism and was baptized with the expectation that he would unite fully with the remnant people, but this he failed to do. The funeral was conducted by the writer from the words of Rom. 6:23.

R. D. HOTTEL.

Chesapeake Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
David W. Percy, Hagerstown,		D of A	4	25	4	11.00	3.50	14.50	
Beniah Manuel, Hagerstown,		D of A	4	26	3	10.00	1.40	11.40	.40
Virbrook Nutter, Cumberland,		C O L	2	11	8	10.00	.50	10.50	
Totals,	3 Agents,		10	62	15	\$31.00	\$5.40	\$36.40	\$.40

Virginia Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Totals	Del'd
John Allran, Massies Mill,		B R		42	6	19.25	7.25	26.50	2.50
G. H. Clark, Newport News,		C K		32	32	32.50		32.00	11.95
Adolph Schenk, Roanoke,		C K	5	21	21	27.00		27.00	3.00
Harry G. Philips, Roanoke,		D of A	5	29	5	15.29	1.00	16.25	
Totals,	4 Agents,		10	124	64	\$94.00	\$8.25	\$102.25	\$17.45

Maine Conference, Week Ending June 29, 1906.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Abbie Webber, Skowhegan,		C O L		28		21.25	2.00	23.25	
*Minnie L. Prince,		H of M		37	13	19.15	9.50	28.65	
*Hiram Morrill,		Misc		8	6	2.10		2.10	
Totals,	3 Agents,			73	19	\$42.50	\$11.50	\$54.00	

*Two weeks.

U. C. Totals June 29	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
30 Agents,	94	697½	366	\$537.80	\$163.90	\$701.70	\$219.90
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
37 Agents,	122	785	381	\$612.50	\$196.00	\$808.50	\$481.30



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one evening in the week a class of ladies for Bible study who, most of them, belong to the Congregationalists, and another evening she has a class of Baptist ladies. Her evenings are all employed in good work. At one home the lady was so full of praise for the Bible study that she said, "Let us all bow down and thank God for this light." A gentleman to whom Sister Wood and her husband have been giving literature on the Sabbath question, says that so far as he has investigated he has found no evidence that Sunday is the Sabbath, and he thinks he shall have to keep the seventh day. E. H. MORTON.

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE.

THE twenty-third annual session of the Virginia Conference will be held in connection with the camp-meeting at Petersburg, Virginia, July 26 to August 5, 1906. The first meeting will be held on Friday, July 27, at 3 P. M. All delegates should be present at the first meeting.

R. D. HOTTEL, *President.*

VIRGINIA CONFERENCE AGENCY.

THE second annual meeting of the membership of the Virginia Conference Agency of Seventh-day Adventists, incorporated, will be held in connection with the annual camp-meeting of the Virginia Conference, at Petersburg, Virginia, July 26 to August 5, 1906. The first meeting will be held

on Monday, July 30, at 4 P. M. The delegates in session of the Virginia Conference compose the membership of the agency.

R. D. HOTTEL, *President.*

NOTICE.

It has now been fully decided to hold the annual camp-meeting in Vermont at Windsor, August 23 to September 3.

The same ground has been secured that was had last year. It is not too early to begin to lay plans to attend.

O. O. FARNSWORTH.

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND CAMP-MEETING.

"THE camp-meeting is one of the most important agencies in our work. It is one of the most effective methods of arresting the attention of the people, and reaching all classes with the gospel invitation. . . . It is our work to give to the whole world,—to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people,—the saving truths of the third angel's message. But it has been a difficult problem to know how to reach the people in the great centers of population. We are not allowed entrance to the churches. In the cities the large halls are expensive, and in most cases but few will come out to the best halls. . . . The Lord has instructed us that the camp-meeting is one of the most important instrumentalities for the accomplishment of this work."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. VI, pages 31, 32.

In no part of the country is the problem of getting the truth before the masses a greater problem than in these eastern cities where there are so many things to attract the attention. From page thirty-three of the Testimony already quoted, we read that our camp-meetings "should be held in the large cities and towns where the message of truth has not been proclaimed." We most earnestly solicit

the help and cooperation of all our brethren and sisters in making this camp-meeting such a success as will be pleasing to God. The people of this large city of Lawrence have never yet had an opportunity to hear this last message of mercy for a dying world. Among the eighty thousand souls there, surely some are waiting to hear this precious truth.

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our camp-meetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth."

So begin now to plan to attend the coming camp-meeting. Come the first day, August 31, and stay until the close, September 10. "Make no excuse that will keep you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible."

I trust that every one will read the chapter entitled "The Camp-meeting" in Volume VI of the "Testimonies."

H. F. KETRING.

WANTED.—A man and his wife to connect with the Student Bindery, the woman to act as housekeeper and matron of the bindery home, and the man to work in the bindery and attend school at the academy. Accommodations also for other families who wish to avail themselves of the advantages of the school. Correspondence solicited.

E. E. MILES,

South Lancaster, Mass.

FOR SALE.—One hundred acres of timberland, ten miles from Winchester, Va. It contains about fifty thousand feet of lumber, besides smaller timber. A sawmill will be located on the adjoining property in the fall. The land will grow peaches, pears, small fruits, etc. Price \$400, easy terms. Address Wm. Clowser, Mt. Williams, Va.