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

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GENERAL ARTICLES

CAPE TOWN AND SOUTH AFRICA

ON arriving at Cape Town, we found the union conference committee in session, all members being present. Brethren Anderson and Walston were there from Rhodesia, and all were glad to welcome them. They brought good reports from our interior stations, and we were all cheered to hear how God is working among the heathen, bringing to the light many precious jewels whom we hope to meet in the kingdom. Our union conference session lasted ten days, and was full of work until the close. Being new in the field, it was a little difficult to take in the needs of the work without seeing the field. But we got along very well and had a splendid meeting. Union and love prevailed, and plans were laid for the further extension of the work in this field.

A few evenings after our arrival, a public reception was held in the college gymnasium for our party, and many very pleasant words of welcome were spoken. Surely we have nothing of which to complain in regard to our welcome to South Africa.

Since our arrival, Mrs. White and I have been stopping at the Plumstead Sanitarium, about seven miles from the city. We have feared that she would have to undergo a serious operation, but have made the matter a subject of earnest prayer, and the physicians now tell us that they trust it may be avoided by faithful treatment.

We find Cape Town a great fruit

market, it being much cheaper here than in the States. At all seasons of the year the choicest fruits are upon the market at a very reasonable price. Every Wednesday and Saturday afternoon the natives bring to the city wild flowers in profusion, and stretching along the curbs are little booths where they are sold. The sight is certainly a grand one.

We have a union conference school and sanitarium here, with the usual problems. Both are doing fairly well, but it is easily seen that they must have careful attention.

So far we like Africa very well. We find here a devoted class of brethren and sisters, who are willing to sacrifice for the truth, and who love it as you do in the States. I can see many obstacles ahead, and no doubt we shall have perplexities, but God is greater than all, and on him we shall rely for needed strength.

In our next article we shall speak of a two-thousand-mile trip through South Africa and a visit to one of our mission stations.

W. B. WHITE.

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THE COLPORTEUR WORK

WHEN we look back over the past year,—its struggles, tears, joys, hard work, and results,—we can but be thankful for the loving kindness of our God who has seen fit to crown our feeble efforts with at least a little success and some advance over the previous year.

Below are a few figures concerning the colporteur work that may be of interest to you. This is the record of actual shipments from the Review and Herald Branch in New York

City of books that our colporteurs have sold during the past seven years: In 1907, \$18,933.75; 1908, \$33,824.45; 1909, \$25,349.45; 1910, \$26,897.50; 1911, \$30,607.05; 1912, \$35,932.55; 1913, \$42,361.55; total for seven years, \$213,906.30.

Although these figures are not large, the total of nearly a quarter of a million means something. It means that about one million calls have been made by our colporteurs. That almost fifty-three million pages of literature have been sold; which would make a pile of books about two miles high, making a train load of about nine cars.

These figures are cold in themselves, but they represent a multitude of earnest prayers, many hot tears, much joy and peace in the Holy Ghost, untold heartfelt thanksgivings, and multitudes saved on the sea of glass.

But we feel that this is but a small beginning. If we would, we could do as much in one year as has been accomplished in seven. Should we not double our past year's sales this year? Surely we should. My dear brother, my dear sister, if you with whom the Holy Spirit has been striving to yield yourself to this work, will do it, we could more than double them. Think of the millions who as yet have had no chance to hear right around us. Do you not hear Jesus' calling you to lend them a saving hand? Will you not do it, and do it now?

C. J. TOLF.

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"YOUR choice is always determined by a conflict in which you always follow the strongest motive."

NEW YORK

317 W. Bloomfield St., Rome, N. Y.

SYRACUSE

SABBATH and Sunday, February 7 and 8, were days of peculiar blessing to the Syracuse church as the result of the ministry of Elders Quinn and Russell and Doctor Kress.

The basis of their message to us was the reproof and counsel of the true witness to the Laodiceans. Some of us were slow to believe that we were Pharisees, that we were "lukewarm," and "wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked." But the work of the Holy Spirit manifestly accompanied the message, and brought reproof and conviction to our hearts. Our goodness seemed indeed like "a morning cloud," and all our "righteousness like filthy rags," and the Spirit at last burned it into our hearts that we could have absolutely no "confidence in the flesh." When we believed and accepted the message, the work of the Spirit was outwardly seen. Our hearts were laid bare before God, and were thoroughly searched. Secret sins were confessed to God and put away, and very definite confessions were made publicly and to one another, and differences were forever put away.

The Syracuse church never saw the like before. It has been known to some extent that there has been a lack of unity, and I believe that the brethren and sisters in the conference will be glad to know that discord and strife were definitely acknowledged and put away, and the sweet spirit of love and unity came in. This was the particular character of the meeting on Sunday. It was a blessed, never-to-be-forgotten occasion. The writer has never before seen anything just like it.

In these meetings, there was no strong wind to rend the mountains, no earthquake, no fire, but the more

effective work of the still, small voice to search hearts, convict of sin, and then to comfort. The brethren did no preaching, but simply read from the Bible and the Testimonies and commented thereon. The invisible agents did more than the visible. That which we have seen with our eyes is to us a sure sign that the latter rain in its fullness for the finishing of the work in all the earth is right upon us.

Let not those who read these words wait until they can hear these brethren; that may never be. Let every one get right with God, and with each other. Surrender every sin, and plead with God for his Spirit. He will bestow it. Let all differences be confessed and put away. It is time, and it is dangerous to delay.

J. C. STEVENS.

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ITEMS

THE work in the office will be cared for by Mrs. Nellie A. Porter until some one can be secured to take Brother Johnson's place. It was planned that Brother Neff, of Virginia, would come here when Brother Johnson went away, but illness has made this impossible.

Sister Tedd, of the Rome church, and her husband are spending the winter with their daughter and her husband, Elder and Mrs. A. E. Place, at San Jose, Cal. They are enjoying their visit very much, and all are in good health.

Carroll L. Covey and Miss Esther Hill, both of Rome, were married at the home of the groom's father, E. E. Covey, Wednesday evening, February 4. Elder W. H. Holden performed the marriage ceremony. The wedding was a quiet one, only the family being present. Their many friends wish them a happy life.

H. C. White and family, formerly of Fultonville, but recently of Massachusetts, were welcome callers at the office recently, while stopping with friends in Rome en route to their

new home in southern California. They expect to stop at several places on the way. While we regret to lose them, our best wishes go with them to their new field of labor.

Sister Jessie Martin went to the hospital at Oneida Wednesday, February 4, for a final operation on her eyes. She has had two cataracts removed, and the operation has been very successful. The cataracts were unusual and have required a long time for final removal, it being two years since the first operation was performed. She rejoices in once more being able to see clearly.

A letter recently sent to this office that had been received by one of our sisters from a Baptist minister, shows how men who do not like to see the truth grasp at straws. He takes the position that because the Bible does not mention the day line, we do not know when the identical seventh day comes. How thankful we should be for the truth that shines so clearly on our pathway.

Our workers are located as follows: Elder W. H. Holden, 317 West Bloomfield St., Rome; Elder J. C. Stevens, 216 Emma St., Syracuse; Elder R. B. Clapp, 135 Bishop Ave., Watertown; Elder D. G. Turk, 525 State St., Binghamton; Elder E. L. Cardey, 29 Second St., Albany; M. R. Coon, 143 Seymour Ave., Utica; C. J. Coon, Truxton; Miss Ella Marie Leach, 53 First St., Albany; Miss Edith M. White, 1008 Washington St., Watertown; Mrs. Celia Koenig, 216 Emma St., Syracuse. The address of Mrs. Bessie J. Rice is now Keene, N. Y., as they have lately built a house and moved there. The address of Mrs. W. H. Holden and Mrs. Nellie A. Porter is the office address, 317 West Bloomfield St., Rome, N. Y. We desire the prayers of all our people that these workers may be led by the Spirit of God and that much good may be done in his name.

When this paper reaches you,

Brother F. N. Johnson will be nearly ready to leave for Virginia. He had expected to go about the middle of March, but Brother Neff, the present secretary, is seriously ill, and has had to drop his work entirely, so Brother Johnson has been called to take up the work there as soon as he could get ready to go. We know that all will regret his departure, but we realize that the work is one all over the broad harvest field, and our prayers will go with him. We trust that he may find the change beneficial in that it is a warmer climate, and the cold winters have been rather hard on him for the last two years. We know that he will find warm friends there as he has here. The friends in Rome met at the home of Sister Calkins Monday evening, February 9, and gave Brother and Sister Johnson a farewell reception. A pleasant evening was spent, and as a token of their friendship each was presented with an engraved solid silver orange spoon.

WESTERN NEW YORK

8 Jefferson St., Salamanca, N. Y.

BUFFALO AND BURT

JANUARY 29 to February 4, inclusive, are days never-to-be-forgotten by those who attended the special meetings held in Buffalo and Burt. A goodly number of our people were present from the neighboring churches, and we had a precious season together with God.

The visiting brethren, Elders Quinn and Russell and Doctor Kress, led out in the meetings, not by preaching; but in short, pointed talks took up the message of the faithful and true witness to the Laodiceans. As statements from the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy were read, the Spirit of God was present in mighty power to convince of sin. He surely searched us through and through, and of a truth we found that we were poor, and miserable, and blind, and

naked. As the true witness pointed out our sins, God gave courage to confess, and mighty victories were gained. A number who had practically ceased to walk with the people of God, were reclaimed, and as the church got right with God, new ones took their stand for the truth.

From the expressions of many, it is evident that this was no ordinary revival. It was a work of reform. Nearly all of us have come to realize that we can put absolutely no confidence in the flesh.

The climax of the meetings was reached the last day at Burt. The place where we were assembled seemed shaken, and after thorough confession and putting away of sin, every one went forward for the baptism of the Holy Ghost that we might have power to live for Christ.

These meetings are of an unusual character, different from any the writer has ever attended. It is all so wonderful; we are not able to explain it. We believe it is a mighty call from our God to get ready for the final outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the latter rain.

THEODORE WESTBROOK.

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ITEMS

THE Elmira church is wide awake. Six of the members are engaged in colporteur work.

Elder Gaede returned January 30 from the German institute recently held in Clinton, Missouri.

Brother A. R. Evans, who has been visiting his brother in Michigan, is back in the conference again and expects to continue his work soon.

Three operators on the Northern Central Railroad, on the Elmira section, are much stirred over the truth. Pray for these souls.

Brother William J. York's youngest son has been very sick with pneumonia at Clarence. He is better now, and we hope to see Brother York in the canvassing work again soon.

Brother C. L. Kilgore was at the office last week, finishing the work of auditing the conference and tract society books, which he could not complete at his last visit owing to the illness of the treasurer.

In connection with the book work, Brother Manry is doing all he can for the magazine work. This is something that many can do who can not work regularly with the books. Write to Brother Manry at the office address for particulars and territory, if you desire to take up this good work, either in spare or full time.

MASSACHUSETTS

South Lancaster, Mass.

A LEGAL QUESTION

THE question is frequently raised as to who is authorized legally to perform the marriage ceremony. Sometimes a local elder asks if it is proper for him to join persons in marriage; sometimes conference workers carrying ministerial licenses inquire if the law would uphold them in the exercise of this function; and sometimes persons desire to know if it is legal for ordained ministers whose credentials have been discontinued to solemnize marriage.

Our conference committee voted recently to ask for legal counsel in regard to this matter. A judge of one of our district courts was consulted and gave his opinion to the effect that ordination according to the usage of the particular denomination is necessary in order to permit a person to solemnize marriage legally in the commonwealth of Massachusetts; consequently a local elder or other officer of the church is not authorized to solemnize marriage, nor is a licensed minister who has not been ordained.

Furthermore an ordained minister, in order to legally solemnize marriage, must be a resident of the commonwealth and in the actual performance of the functions of his of-

face; that is, he must be in good standing and active service in accordance with the usage of his denomination. Credential papers for the current year are an indication of recognition by the denomination authorizing a minister to perform the duties of his office.

A marriage ceremony performed by one not authorized to so officiate does not make the marriage itself invalid on account of the lack of authority of the person solemnizing the marriage, provided that the marriage is consummated with the full belief on the part of either person so married that the marriage has been a lawful one.

Sections 30, 34, and 40 of chapter 151 of the "Revised Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts" cover the ground quite fully and are quoted herewith, as follows:—

Section 30. A marriage may be solemnized in any place within this commonwealth by a minister of the gospel, ordained according to the usage of his denomination, who resides in this commonwealth and who continues to perform the functions of his office; by a rabbi of the Israelitish faith, duly licensed by a congregation of said faith established in this commonwealth, who has filed with the clerk or registrar of the city or town in which he resides a certificate of the establishment of the synagogue, the date of his appointment thereto and the term of his engagement; by a justice of the peace if he is also clerk or assistant clerk of a city or town, or a registrar or assistant registrar, in the city or town in which he holds such office, or if he is also clerk or assistant clerk of a court, in the town or city in which the court is authorized to be held, or if he has been designated as provided in the following section and has received a certificate of designation and has qualified thereunder, in the city or town in which he resides; and it may be solemnized among Friends or Quakers according to the usage of their societies; but no person shall solemnize a marriage in this commonwealth unless he is able to read and write the English language.

Section 34. A marriage which is solemnized by a person who professes to be a justice of the peace, a minister of the gospel, or a rabbi, or which is solemnized among Friends or Quakers according to

their usages, shall not be void, nor shall the validity thereof be in any way affected by want of authority in such person or society, or by an omission or by informality in the manner of entering the intention of marriage, if the marriage is in other respects lawful and is consummated with a full belief of either of the persons so married that they have been lawfully married.

Section 40. Whosoever, not being duly authorized by the statutes of this commonwealth, undertakes to join persons in marriage in this commonwealth, shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

This is not a trifling matter, and surely in all questions involving legal contingencies Seventh-day Adventists should be especially careful, so that in case their actions are called in question no error or fault may be found against them except it be concerning the law of their God, even as it was in the case of Daniel.

H. C. HARTWELL.

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FAUNTON

THE Lord is still continuing his blessings to us in this part of the harvest field. The interest, especially among the Portuguese, is spreading faster than we can follow. Every week new openings come.

Two weeks ago at our Sunday evening Portuguese meeting in the hall, a very intelligent lady came with the request that we go to her house and give the truth to those who will not come to the hall. By canceling a lesser engagement I was able to go on Monday evening. Six were present at the study. On the following Monday, friends and neighbors came in until sixteen were crowded into a small room.

Working among this people is as truly foreign missionary work as any in another land. The gospel is as new and strange to them as it could possibly be were they living at the equator instead of in a land of intellectual light.

With about eighty-five out of every hundred unable to read, and the other fifteen somewhat indifferent about reading, the work among the Portuguese is not without its difficulties, but when the message really gains a hold upon them, it cleans them up and makes as earnest and conscientious Christians as any in our ranks.

There is a slight interest among the Americans in a personal way. We are hoping and praying that the work of the missionary society here will produce more interest among them, although they have had a good opportunity to demonstrate whether they are honest or not.

Last evening I was made glad to learn that a lady in Foxboro had commenced to keep the Sabbath. The work there has gone very slowly. It has been gratifying, however, to learn that many became so disturbed by the messages of truth that they were unable to rest at night. Unfortunately, instead of making the word of God the man of their counsel, they went to their teachers, and were lulled to sleep again with that same old siren song that has served the enemy so well on so many occasions, and which has so many variations.

As in other parts of the field, there are evidences that the work is closing, and that we must hasten in our labor if we would gather all the sheaves that are ripening where God has stationed us.

We earnestly ask the prayers of the GLEANER family in behalf of the work in semi-foreign southeastern Massachusetts. WM. W. RICE.

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WORCESTER

Special Notice

THE writer with Brother E. R. Numbers, Mrs. Ella M. Wilber, and others will plan to spend Sabbath and Sunday, February 14 and 15, with the Worcester English and Swedish churches to conduct a series of special meetings. A union service of these churches will be held in the church

on Sabbath morning at 12. o'clock, preceded by a union Sabbath-school which will be at 10:30 o'clock.

A large attendance is desired, and members from South Framingham, Marlboro, and other near-by churches are cordially invited to be present. All are requested to bring lunches so that it will not be necessary to go home to dinner during the short intermission between the morning and afternoon service.

To reach the Worcester church take a Belmont street-car to Stanton Street, where the building is located.

H. C. HARTWELL.

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TITHE RECEIPTS FOR 1913

Allston	\$ 54.83
Athol	657.12
Beverly	172.84
Boston	2,563.68
Brookfield	52.91
Conway	112.09
Danvers	365.63
Everett	1,225.45
Fall River	80.62
First Colored (Boston)	291.38
Fiskdale	109.18
Fitchburg	1,190.62
Gardner (Swedish)	174.21
Gloucester	159.24
Haverhill	399.65
Jamaica Plain (German)	925.97
Leominster	557.23
Lowell	363.35
Lynn	5.00
Mansfield	277.89
Natick	90.79
New Bedford and Dartmouth	1,472.16
Newburyport	270.95
Pittsfield	36.22
Plymouth	200.03
Quincy	81.40
Reading	272.31
Sanitarium	1,989.78
Somerville	1,249.76
South Amherst	71.47
South Framingham	245.89
South Lancaster	7,578.83
Springfield	1,160.38
Taunton	361.31
Westfield	131.71
West Newton	631.75
Worcester	1,125.12
Worcester (Swedish)	549.28
Individuals	843.31

Total

\$28,101.34

H. B. TUCKER, *Treas.*

SO. NEW ENGLAND

51 Whitmore St., Hartford, Conn.

SUNDAY BILLS IN RHODE ISLAND

THREE bills pertaining to Sunday have been introduced into the Rhode Island Legislature.

One of these seeks to enact a more severe Sunday law and is entitled "An Act to Enforce the Better Observance of the First Day of the Week."

The other two bills seek to liberalize the existing Sunday law.

Each of these bills originated in the House of Representatives and has been referred to its committee on judiciary.

No public hearings have been arranged. We shall watch the progress of these measures, and, if consistent, shall report upon their merits.

J. E. JAYNE.

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GENERAL MEETING AND CHURCH DEDICATION Pawtucket

THE Pawtucket church building is now completed, and we are planning to have the dedicatory service on Sunday, March 1, at 2:30 P. M.

In connection with the dedication, special services will be held beginning Friday evening, February 27. Elder Daniells has promised to be with us, and also Elders Quinn and Russell, Doctor Kress, and possibly others, as well as our own conference workers.

We are working, planning, and praying that this meeting will be the best ever held in Rhode Island. A wave of blessing is sweeping over God's people at the present time, and we are expecting great things of God at this gathering. It is a great privilege to have Elder Daniells come to this meeting; and we know that he and Elders Quinn, Kress, and Russell will have spirit-filled messages for us.

We solicit your prayers for this

meeting and for the future of the work in this thickly populated district in northern Rhode Island.

W. R. ANDREWS.

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ITEMS

ELDER J. E. JAYNE was at the office last week attending to conference matters.

Mrs. W. E. Fortune is at the New England Sanitarium for treatment and an operation on an enlarged gland in her neck.

Miss Edna Broom, of the Hebron church, has gone to New Bedford to take a nurse's training course in Doctor Bradford's sanitarium.

Now, when the attention of the nation is especially directed to prohibition of the liquor traffic, is the time to sell the *Temperance Instructor*. We are prepared to fill your orders.

The Bridgeport, New Haven, Providence, and Pawtucket churches are organized for missionary work with tracts and periodicals. Their plan is to place reading-matter on present truth in every home in these large cities.

At the recent meeting of the conference committee, Mrs. Eva B. Daggett was appointed conference Young People's Missionary Volunteer secretary in place of Mrs. Mary B. Nicola. On account of other duties Sister Nicola was obliged to resign.

Our brethren and sisters at New Haven have secured the Olivet Baptist Church, near the corner of Shelton and Dixwell Avenues, in which to hold Sabbath services. There is a possibility of their having an opportunity to purchase the property in the near future, as the Baptist people are planning to put up a new church.

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WANTED AT ONCE.—Woman to work in home of Seventh-day Adventist without children. A good home with wages.

F. E. HINKLEY,

42 Concord Avenue,
Cambridge, Mass.

NO. NEW ENGLAND

136 No. Main St., Concord, N. H.

BURLINGTON

SUNDAY, January 25, we held our first public meeting in Burlington, and though the attendance was not very large, yet we are told that it was the largest congregation of outsiders that had been in the church for a number of years. The congregation was larger at our last meeting, and the people seemed much interested.

The office of the conference was once located in Burlington, and a number of our ministers have in times past labored here, but through removal, death, or other causes, the church-membership has been reduced until but very few meet together on the Sabbath.

Our first work here was to try to have these few members realize the importance of the work to be done, and the necessity of each one having a living connection with the Lord and a baptism of the Holy Spirit. In this the Lord has blessed, and we feel that now the Lord can use his people to warn this city of the impending conflict.

We are planning to do all we can by public meetings, Bible readings, etc., but we feel that every home should be visited and some of our literature left. We could use one hundred copies of the *Signs of the Times* or *Bible Training School* for free distribution weekly, and we desire to appeal to our brethren and sisters in behalf of this city. Why should we not at this time finish the work in Burlington, and then enter some other place in our conference which has never had the truth? I desire to make a special appeal for your prayers in behalf of this place, and also an appeal to you for literature. Any one wishing to help in the work of placing our literature in the hands of the people of this city,

please send your gift to Brother Royer mentioning the fact that the same is to be used for a club of the *Signs*, for distribution in this city.

This city has a large Jewish population, a large French population, and other foreign elements, and much of the work among these foreign-speaking people ought to be done by the scattering of our literature among them.

The writer visited Vergennes a few days ago, and besides having a good meeting with the few Sabbath-keepers there, held a meeting for the public. We feel impressed that there are souls in that place who are hungry for the bread of life, and we hope to be able to so arrange our work in Burlington that we may spend some time every week in Vergennes.

L. F. PASSEBOIS.

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ITEMS

ONE hundred *Signs* weekly for six months have been ordered by the Burlington church.

Orders for the special Temperance Number of the *Youth's Instructor* are coming in fast.

We were pleased to see Elder F. W. Stray step into the office once again after laboring in northern Vermont for about three weeks. He reports splendid progress in that section.

We regret to learn that Sister Lottie Moulthrop, of Grafton, Vt., has been obliged to go to the Rockingham Hospital at Bellows Falls for an operation. It is also with sadness

we report the serious illness of the faithful librarian of the Rutland church, Mrs. Bertha L. Pike, wife of Brother Bert Pike, treasurer of the church. She has also been taken to the hospital there. And just as we are writing this we learn that Brother Dow, of the Bordoville church, received a shock in his right side so he has not the use of his arm. We report these items believing our brethren and sisters will be glad to pray for the afflicted ones.

MAINE

75 Grant St., Portland, Me.

CAMDEN

SINCE our camp-meeting, which was held at this place in connection with our tent effort, the writer, with Elder E. E. Osborne and Sisters Wood and Myers, followed up the interest here. There has been a good response on the part of the people, thirty or more starting to walk in the way of God's commandments. At the present time the writer is alone, as Elder Osborne was called to Portland, Sister Wood was called away because of sickness, and Sister Myers has left for the West.

At the present time we are holding services in Camden and Rockport, where the First-day Adventist church has been closed for want of some one to preach to them. It seems good to see the tears come to their eyes and to see them eager for the truths of the Adventist message.

THE PAPER WORK

Greater New York, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

Name	Place	Hrs	Signs	L & H	Misc	Wat	T In	Amount
Mrs. C. S. Countryman								\$18 05

Maine, two weeks ending Jan. 30, 1914

Miss Emma Dyer, Portland		25			112			11 20
Mrs. Julia Smith, Portland		27			184			18 40
Totals, 2 Agents		52			296			\$29 60

New York, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

Mrs. J. Schnetzler					150			15 00
Chas. C. Alger					50			2 00
Totals, 2 Agents					200			\$17 00

I feel sure there will be some among these that will walk in the light of present truth.

There are other fields open for us right at hand, but we have all we can carry at present with three services on Sunday to attend and three more through the week, with the Sabbath service.

A Jew attends our services with his wife and children. They want to accept Christ, but hardly know how. It is sad to see the tears fill their eyes as they talk of these things. Surely we have a message for these poor people without a shepherd. May the dear Lord lead them out of their darkness into his light. It is good to hear them confess that they believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Pray that these and others that are interested may walk out on the promises of God.

A. J. VERRILL.

ITEMS

CONSIDERABLE interest is manifested in some of our health lectures. We trust that they may be the means of awakening interests in other points of the message.

In response to the letters sent out from the office regarding the developments of the organization of the Conference church, we are receiving responses from all over the field. We hope soon to be able to have the names and addresses of all our isolated people, and thus be able to bring them into a closer bond of fellowship in our work.

Homes to which a minister could not have gained entrance, where people would not have responded to an invitation to attend our services, have been entered by our tract distributors. After reading the first or second package, they begin to show interest, and some are already seeking more light on points of truth. Our workers also find many of them reading the Signs and some other of our periodicals, which may account in part for their interest to study more. This

THE BOOK WORK

Western New York, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

Name	Place	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del
Konrad Arvin, Jamestown		H M	29	3	6 00		6 00	
L. R. Rennells, Southport		D R	28	10	40 00	8 25	48 25	
Effa Gilbert, Batavia		H W	24			24 95	24 95	
F. W. Gotts, Celoron		H W	16			8 00	8 00	
Malvina Chisholm, Elmira		S D	13	4	6 00	1 50	7 50	
Mrs. Verna Galligan, Elmira		P P F	8	4	6 00		6 00	
Mrs. E. W. Chisholm, Elmira			3			75	75	
Totals, 7 Agents			121	21	\$58 00	\$43 45	\$101 45	

Massachusetts, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

Mrs. G. Laycock, Cambridge		S P	14	2	4 50	50	5 00	12 95
Lena K. Matson, Melrose		D A	11	10	23 50	42 70	66 20	
F. S. Burgess, Methuen		D R	11	3	6 00	1 00	7 00	
W. E. Gerald, Worcester		Misc.			100 00		100 00	100 00
* L. MacDonald, Cambridge		D A	51	7	22 50	10 90	33 40	14 75
* Cora Bowers, Cambridge		P G	39	8	27 00	5 55	32 55	28 30
Totals, 6 Agents			126	30	\$183 50	\$60 65	\$244 15	\$156 00

* Two weeks

Greater New York, week ending Jan 30, 1914

John Manuel, Rhinebeck		B R	19	5	15 00	4 45	19 45	
Wm. Ressler, Wawarsing			14					14 15
F. Kertesz, New York		G A	32		3 20	10 78	13 98	
Mrs. C. S. Countryman, S. I.		C K		6	9 50	2 00	11 50	2 50
* H. P. Hanson, Brooklyn		Misc.			130 00		130 00	
Totals, 5 Agents			65	11	\$157 70	\$17 23	\$174 93	\$16 65

* Dec. and Jan.

Maine, two weeks ending Jan. 30, 1914

Ray Farley, Portland		Misc.	35			21 25	21 25	21 25
Emma Dyer, Portland		Misc.				1 25	1 25	
Mrs. Julia Smith, Portland		Misc.				4 00	4 00	
Mrs. Abbie Webber, Clinton		Misc.				3 00	3 00	25
Mrs. G. W. Whitney, Woodfords								12 00
Totals, 5 Agents			35			\$29 50	\$29 50	\$33 50

Northern New England, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

A. W. Coon, Manchester		Misc.	17		27 00	4 10	31 10	
D. A. Piper, Concord		D A	23	1	3 00	4 90	7 90	
H. M. Kirtland, Farmington		P P S				4 70	4 70	4 20
Totals, 3 Agents			40	1	\$30 00	\$13 70	\$43 70	\$4 20

Southern New England, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

D. P. Waldo, New Haven		G C	29	9	30 00	1 90	31 90	
H. C. Wilcox, New Haven		D A	22	5	16 50	6 50	23 00	6 00
Totals, 2 Agents			51	14	\$46 50	\$8 40	\$54 90	\$6 00

New York, week ending Jan. 30, 1914

J. Schnetzler, Albany		G C	31	15	50 00	7 25	57 25	
A. L. Griffis, Rome		C K	36	25	38 50	6 40	44 90	1 40
P. R. Griffis, Tully		D A	40	3	9 00	5 75	14 75	2 43
J. H. Deeley, Homer		D A	26	2	4 50	4 00	8 50	75
Totals, 4 Agents			133	45	\$102 00	\$23 40	\$125 40	\$4 58

A. U. C. Totals, Jan. 30, 1913	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del	
32 Agents	571	122	\$577 70	\$196 33	\$774 03	\$220 93	
Totals for corresp. wk. last year	22 Agents	425	148	\$330 45	\$92 59	\$423 04	\$52 39

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I AM waiting in the shadow,
Waiting for the day.

I am waiting for life's phantoms,
All to pass away.

I am waiting for the pain-throbs
Of the flesh to cease;

I am waiting for the resting
That will give release.

I am waiting for the healing
Of my Saviour's touch.

Is the asking but presuming?
Is the gift too much?

Ah, I think not, he is willing.
Blessed Jesus, mine,

I am waiting for the glory
Through my life to shine.

I am waiting, not forever,
Faith looks up with song.

I will take the gift he offers.
Waiting—but not long.

ELIZA H. MORTON.

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NOTICE

THE Greater New York Corporation of Seventh-day Adventists will hold its annual meeting in the hall on the corner of 181st Street and Audubon Avenue, Washington Heights, New York City, Feb. 18-20, 1914. The first meeting will be held at 10 A. M., Wednesday, February 18. This meeting will be for the purpose of electing trustees and the transaction of such other business as may come before the corporation.

J. L. McELHANY, *Pres.*;

L. W. GRAHAM, *Clerk.*

tracts were shipped from our office to all parts of the Atlantic Union Conference during the month of January. This is an increase of 15,725 over the number sold in January, 1913. If this ratio of increase is kept up, we will circulate just about a half-million, our goal, during the year 1914.

The distribution of tracts is something in which every one can engage. This work will bring souls into the truth. A few years ago two brethren began the work of tract distribution, using the envelope plan, calling on the same people more than once. They went about their work in a systematic manner, having several routes with about one hundred in each. After calling two or three times, they were able to dispose of other reading-matter to those who had become interested in the tracts which they read. The result was that within a few months' time, a good, substantial church was organized. This is still a strong church, paying about as large per-capita tithes as any we have, and is very liberal in other donations. It is located in the Atlantic Union Conference.

Since our first announcement of the five-dollar-tract package, half-dozen churches have ordered them. These packages are ideal for general church work. Each contains seven hundred seventy-five tracts on twenty-five different subjects, and, in addition, there are one hundred printed envelopes and instructions for systematic distribution. In almost every church there are those who are anxious to do missionary work, but who, perhaps, can not afford to buy the supplies. Why not the church band together and get one of these packages, and begin a distribution in your locality? By a little planning the work can be made self-supporting. Order from your tract society.

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OBITUARY NOTICES

GRISWOLD.—Amy G. Griswold died at Waterford, Conn., Jan. 28, 1914, aged 71 years and 4 months. Sister Griswold accepted the message of the third angel about ten years ago in New London. She learned of the truth through reading our literature, and after finding our faithful company, became one of them. The church loses one of its strong pillars, as she was an efficient missionary worker. She died believing that she would meet her Lord when he comes. A husband, two sons, and two daughters are left to mourn. Words of encouragement were spoken to the mourners from parts of Rev. 14:13 and Heb. 2:3 by the writer.

SIDNEY E. NORTON.

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MANTON.—Flora Isabella, daughter of Brother and Sister H. Manton, was born in Little Compton, R. I., May 4, 1886, and died in New Bedford, Mass., July 21, 1913, aged 27 years, 2 months, and 17 days. August 5, 1905, she was baptized by Elder A. E. Place. Although her residence was in Rhode Island, she united with the Seventh-day Adventist church in New Bedford, of which she remained a faithful member until her death. She died of anemia, following a severe surgical operation. Everything known to science was done for her aid. Twice, blood infusion was tried. It was first supplied by her sister, Clara, and next by her brother, Leroy. She is survived by her parents, six brothers, and three sisters. Flora was an unusually faithful girl. Her life was an excellent example to those of her own age. We laid her at rest in the cemetery at Acushnet, Mass., in full confidence that she awaits the call of the Life-giver at the resurrection of the just. The funeral sermon was preached by Elder E. P. Auger.

J. E. JAYNE.

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