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

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DAILY READING COURSE ON THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY

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The Requirements of a True Christian

Motto: "Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief." Mark 9:24.

Sabbath, February 3

1. We must love God with all the heart.

"Master, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." Matt. 22:36-40; Deut. 6:4, 5; Acts 26:24-29.

"God's work is the same in all time, although there are different degrees of development, and different manifestations of his power, to meet the wants of men in the different ages. Beginning with the first gospel promise, and coming down through the patriarchal and Jewish ages, and even to the present time, there has been a gradual unfolding of the purposes of God in the plan of redemption. The Saviour typified in the rites and ceremonies of the Jewish law is the very same that is revealed in the gospel. The clouds that enveloped his divine form have rolled back; the mists and shades have disappeared; and Jesus, the world's Redeemer, stands revealed. He who proclaimed the law from

Sinai, and delivered to Moses the precepts of the ritual law, is the same that spoke the sermon on the mount. The great principles of love to God, which he set forth as the foundation of the law and the prophets, are only a reiteration of what he had spoken through Moses to the Hebrew people: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might.' 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' The teacher is the same in both dispensations. God's claims are the same. The principles of his government are the same. For all proceed from him 'with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.'—"*Patriarchs and Prophets*," page 373. See also "Steps to Christ," pp. 29-32.

"In Noah's day the inhabitants of the old world laughed to scorn what they termed the superstitious fears and forebodings of the preacher of righteousness. He was denounced as a visionary character, a fanatic, an alarmist. 'As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man.' Men will reject the solemn message of warning in our day, as they did in Noah's time. . . . This makes it all the more essential that those who believe present truth should show their faith by their works."—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. IV, p. 308.

Sunday, February 4

2. We must surrender the will to God.

"No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold

to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon." Matt. 6:24. See Romans 6:16; Mark 14:34-39; Luke 22:42.

"Many are inquiring, 'How am I to make the surrender of myself to God?' You desire to give yourself to him, but you are weak in moral power, in slavery to doubt, and controlled by the habits of your life of sin. Your promises and resolutions are like ropes of sand. You cannot control your thoughts, your impulses, your affections. The knowledge of your broken promises and forfeited pledges weakens your confidence in your own sincerity, and causes you to feel that God cannot accept you; but *you need not despair*. What you need to understand is the true force of the will. This is the governing power in the nature of man, the power of decision, or of choice. Everything depends on the right action of the will. The power of choice God has given to men; it is theirs to exercise. You cannot change your heart, you cannot of yourself give to God its affections; but you can *choose* to serve him. You can give him your will; he will then work in you to will and to do according to his good pleasure. Thus your whole nature will be brought under the control of the Spirit of Christ; your affections will be centered upon him, your thoughts will be in harmony with him.

"Desires for goodness and holiness are right as far as they go; but if you stop here, they will avail nothing. Many will be lost while hoping and desiring to be Christians. They do not come to the point of yielding

the will to God. They do not now choose to be Christians.

"Through the right exercise of the will, an entire change may be made in your life. By yielding up your will to Christ, you ally yourself with the power that is above all principalities and powers. You will have strength from above to hold you steadfast, and thus through constant surrender to God you will be enabled to live the new life, even the life of faith."—"*Steps to Christ*," pp. 48-49. See pp. 74-5; "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. I, pp. 155-56, 240.

Monday, February 5

3. We must desire to pray.

"And it came to pass, that, as he was praying in a certain place, when he ceased, one of his disciples said unto him, Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples." Luke 11:1; Isaiah 55:6, 7.

"I have frequently seen that the children of the Lord neglect prayer, especially secret prayer, altogether too much; that many do not exercise that faith which it is their privilege and duty to exercise, often waiting for that feeling which faith alone can bring. Feeling is not faith; the two are distinct. Faith is ours to exercise, but joyful feeling and the blessing are God's to give. The grace of God comes to the soul through the channel of living faith, and that faith it is in our power to exercise.

"True faith lays hold of and claims the promised blessing before it is realized and felt. We must send up our petitions in faith within the second vail, and let our faith take hold of the promised blessing, and claim it as ours. We are then to believe that we receive the blessing, because our faith has hold of it, and according to the word it is ours. 'What things soever ye desire when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.' Here is faith, naked faith, to believe that we receive the blessing, even before we realize it. [Here read "Life

Sketches," edition 1915, pages 151-153; 120-122.] When the promised blessing is realized and enjoyed, faith is swallowed up. But many suppose they have much faith when sharing largely of the Holy Spirit, and that they cannot have faith unless they feel the power of the Spirit. Such confound faith with the blessing that comes through faith. The very time to exercise faith is when we feel destitute of the Spirit.

"We should be much in secret prayer. Christ is the vine, we are the branches. And if we would grow and flourish, we must continually draw sap and nourishment from the Living Vine, for separated from the Vine, we have no strength.

"I asked the angel why there was no more faith and power in Israel. He said, 'Ye let go of the arm of the Lord too soon. Press your petitions to the throne, and hold on by strong faith. The promises are sure. Believe ye receive the things ye ask for, and ye shall have them.' I was then pointed to Elijah. He was subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly. His faith endured the trial. Seven times he prayed before the Lord, and at last the cloud was seen."—"*Early Writings*," pp. 61-63.

Tuesday, February 6

4. We must take time to read and study the Word of God.

"Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." John 5:39. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." 2 Timothy 2:15. "Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine." 1 Timothy 4:13. See also Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 3:15-17.

"Jesus said of the Old Testament Scriptures,—and how much more is it true of the New,—'They are they which testify of me,' the Redeemer,

him in whom our hopes of eternal life are centered. Yes, the whole Bible tells of Christ. From the first record of creation,—'for without him was not anything made that was made,'—to the closing promise, 'Behold, I come quickly,' we are reading of his works and listening to his voice. If you would become acquainted with the Saviour, study the Holy Scriptures.

"Fill the whole heart with the words of God. They are the living water, quenching your burning thirst. They are the living bread from heaven. Jesus declares, 'Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.' And he explains himself by saying, 'The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.' Our bodies are built up from what we eat and drink; and as in the natural economy, so in the spiritual economy: it is what we meditate upon that will give tone and strength to our spiritual nature.

"We should not take the testimony of any man as to what the Scriptures teach, but should study the words of God for ourselves. If we allow others to do our thinking, we shall have crippled energies and contracted abilities. The noble powers of the mind may be so dwarfed by lack of exercise on themes worthy of their concentration as to lose their ability to grasp the deep meaning of the Word of God. The mind will enlarge if it is employed in tracing out the relation of subjects of the Bible, comparing scripture with scripture, and spiritual things with spiritual.

"There is nothing more calculated to strengthen the intellect than the study of the Scriptures. No other book is so potent to elevate the thoughts, to give vigor to the faculties, as the broad, ennobling truths of the Bible. If God's Word were studied as it should be, men would have a breadth of mind, a nobility of

character, and a stability of purpose that is rarely seen in these times." —*Steps to Christ,* pages 100-102. See "Testimonies for the Church," Vol. V, pages 214-216.

Wednesday, February 7

5. We must shun all things worldly.

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world. And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof; but he that doeth the will of God abideth forever." 1 John 2: 15-17; John 17: 14, 15; 2 Cor. 6: 16-18.

"I was shown in vision some things that concern the church generally. The glory and majesty of God were made to pass before me. Said the angel, 'He is terrible in his majesty, yet ye realize it not; terrible in his anger, yet ye offend him daily. Strive to enter in at the strait gate; for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat; because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.' These roads are distinct, separate, in opposite directions. One leads to eternal life, the other to eternal death. I saw the distinction between these roads, also the distinction between the companies traveling them. The roads are opposite; one is broad and smooth, the other narrow and rugged. So the parties that travel them are opposite in character, in life, in dress, and in conversation. [Here read "Life Sketches," edition 1915, pages 190-193.]

"Those who travel in the narrow way are talking of the joy and happiness they will have at the end of the journey. Their countenances are often sad, yet often beam with holy, sacred joy. They do not dress like

the company in the broad road, nor talk like them, nor act like them. A pattern has been given them. A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief opened that road for them, and traveled it himself. His followers see his footsteps, and are comforted and cheered. He went through safely; so can they, if they follow in his footsteps.

"In the broad road all are occupied with their persons, their dress, and the pleasures in the way. They indulge freely in hilarity and glee, and think not of their journey's end, of the certain destruction at the end of the path. Every day they approach nearer their destruction; yet they madly rush on faster and faster. Oh, how dreadful this looked to me!

"I saw many traveling in this broad road who had the words written upon them, 'Dead to the world. The end of all things is at hand. Be ye also ready.' They looked just like all the vain ones around them, except a shade of sadness which I noticed upon their countenances. Their conversation was just like that of the gay, thoughtless ones around them; but they would occasionally point with great satisfaction to the letters on their garments, calling for the others to have the same upon theirs. They were in the broad way, yet they professed to be of the number who were traveling the narrow way. Those around them would say, 'There is no distinction between us. We are alike; we dress, and talk, and act alike.'—*Testimonies for the Church,* Vol. I, pp. 127, 128. See "Early Writings," pages 111-113.

Thursday, February 8

6. We must become acquainted with the Testimonies of the spirit of prophecy.

"Blessed are they that keep his testimonies, and that seek him with the whole heart." Ps. 119: 2. "Thy testimonies are very sure." Ps. 93: 5. "Thy testimonies are wonderful:

therefore doth my soul keep them." Ps. 119: 129. "Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the Lord your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee." Deut. 6: 17.

"It is not alone those who openly reject the Testimonies, or who cherish doubt concerning them, that are on dangerous ground. To disregard light is to reject it.

"Some of you in words acknowledge reproof; but you do not in heart accept it. You go on the same as before, only being less susceptible to the influence of the Spirit of God, becoming more and more blinded, having less wisdom, less self-control, less moral power, and less zeal and relish for religious exercises. . . . You have not made decided changes in your life when reproof has come, because you have not seen and realized your defects of character, and the great contrast between your life and the life of Christ. . . .

"Many are going directly contrary to the light which God has given to his people, because they do not read the books which contain the light and knowledge, in cautions, reproofs, and warnings. The cares of the world, the love of fashion, and the lack of religion, have turned the attention from the light God has so graciously given, while books and periodicals containing error are traveling all over the country. . . . Light so precious, coming from the throne of God, is hid under a bushel. God will make his people responsible for this neglect. An account must be rendered to him for every ray of light he has let shine upon our pathway, whether it has been improved to our advancement in divine things, or rejected because it was more agreeable to follow inclination.

"The volumes of spirit of prophecy ["Desire of Ages," "Great Controversy," and "Patriarchs and Prophets"], and also the Testimonies, should be introduced into every

Sabbath-keeping family [italics ours], and the brethren should know their value, and be urged to read them. . . . They should be in the library of every family, and be read again and again. Let them be kept where they can be read by many.

"The more self is exalted, the more will faith in the Testimonies of the Spirit of God be lessened. . . . Those who trust wholly in themselves will see less and less of God in the Testimonies of his Spirit."—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. V, pp. 680, 681.

"The searching testimony of the Spirit of God 'will separate those from Israel who have ever been at war with the means that God has ordained to keep corruptions out of the church. Wrongs must be called wrongs. Grievous sins must be called by their right name. All of God's people should come nearer to him.

. . . Then will they see sin in its true light, and will realize how offensive it is in the sight of God.' 'The plain, strait testimony must live in the church, or the curse of God will rest upon his people as surely as it did upon ancient Israel because of their sins.'

"'Never was there greater need of faithful warnings and reproofs . . . than at this very time. Satan has come down with great power, knowing that his time is short. He is flooding the world with pleasing fables, and the people of God love to have smooth things spoken to them. . . . I was shown that God's people must make more firm, determined efforts to press back the incoming darkness. The close work of the Spirit of God is needed now as never before.'"—*Id.*, pages 676, 677.

Friday, February 9

7. We must walk in the light and be obedient.

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of

Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin." 1 John 1:7; 1 Samuel 15:22, 23; John 14:15; 15:10, 14.

"But notice here that obedience is not a mere outward compliance, but the service of love. The law of God is an expression of his very nature; it is an embodiment of the great principle of love, and hence is the foundation of his government in heaven and earth. If our hearts are renewed in the likeness of God, if the divine love is implanted in the soul, will not the law of God be carried out in the life? . . . And if the law is written in the heart, will it not shape the life? Obedience—the service and allegiance of love—is the true sign of discipleship. Thus the Scripture says, 'This is the love of God, that we keep his commandments.' 'He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.' Instead of releasing man from obedience, it is faith, and faith only, that makes us partakers of the grace of Christ, which enables us to render obedience."—"*Steps to Christ*," pp. 64-65.

"Let us remember that a Christ-like life is the most powerful argument that can be advanced in favor of Christianity, and that a cheap Christian character works more harm in the world than the character of a worldling. *Not all the books written can serve the purpose of a holy life.* Men will believe, not what the minister preaches, but what the church lives.

"It is the purpose of God to glorify himself in his people before the world. He expects those who bear the name of Christ to represent him in thought, word, and deed. . . . The religion of Christ is to be interwoven with all that they do and say. Their every business transaction is to be fragrant with the presence of God."—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. IX, page 21.

NO. NEW ENGLAND

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

THE BURLINGTON MEETING

THE general meeting recently held in Burlington will be long remembered by those in attendance as one of the best that was ever held in that vicinity. All members of the conference committee, excepting one, were present. We also had the valuable assistance of Elder R. D. Quinn, president of the Atlantic Union Conference.

Sabbath morning Elder Quinn preached a powerful sermon on surrendering the heart to God. At its close he made an earnest appeal for those who wished to make this surrender to go to the front seats of the church. The movement which followed was one of the most remarkable ever witnessed by the writer. Without even a seconded call, the entire congregation arose and went forward, almost like one person. Hearts were broken down, and an earnest desire to surrender to God was manifested by those who were present.

In the evening Elder Quinn told of his remarkable experiences in foreign lands and the Holy Land. An invitation was given to those present to contribute towards the foreign missionary work, and in just a few minutes almost five hundred dollars was pledged.

The next day we took up the home missionary work, and we can truly say that the Burlington church is filled with an earnest desire to carry on all lines of God's great work.

At this time it was also our privilege to visit the church school which is being conducted by Miss Nella Eastman, and it is proving to be a great blessing to the church. The Lord is surely with Sister Eastman in her work for the children. We were deeply impressed with the ready knowledge of the scriptures that the pupils in her charge have obtained.

We feel that every dollar that the Burlington church has put into this school will be used in building material for the kingdom of God.

We would not forget the excellent work that Sister Scribner is also doing for this church. Although she has been many years in the battle front, she is steadily endeavoring to bring souls to the knowledge of the saving truth.

Many important actions were taken by the conference committee which will mean much for the development of the work in this field. Altogether this was one of the most profitable meetings we have ever held in the conference, and our earnest prayer is that the dear Lord will add his blessing to all that was done and continue to bless the Burlington church.

R. J. BRYANT.

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ANOTHER GOAL REACHED

At the Atlantic Union Conference last winter the different fields represented set goals to be reached in the colporteur sales for the year. Our sales in Northern New England in 1915 were \$4,414, and it was solely by faith that we placed the aim of our conference at \$10,000 for 1916.

God has richly blessed the efforts of his co-laborers. We find that since the reports have all come in our book sales amounted to \$11,031.31, and magazine sales \$1,293.80, making the total sales \$12,325.11 for the year.

We are deeply grateful to our Heavenly Father for these sales, and are sure he is just as anxious to work in behalf of his children in 1917 as in the year past. "Who will consecrate his service this day unto the Lord?"

J. A. Applegate.

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"MEN who want to be Spirit-filled must be self-emptied."

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A MAN can never move the world that lets the world move him.—*Martin Luther.*

WESTERN NEW YORK

60 Grand Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

AN ADDRESS ON CHURCH SCHOOLS

ELDER K. C. RUSSELL gave an address on church schools in the Buffalo church Sabbath, January 20, in which he said in part:—

The terrible famine for the Word of God which is predicted in Amos 8:11-13 will prey in a special way upon the young; for the prophecy says, "In that day shall the fair virgins and the young men faint for thirst." This warning should be heeded by all Seventh-day Adventists, especially by those who have children, that they may have the words of the Lord hidden in their hearts, and thus be prepared for the famine which is soon to come upon the world.

The famine will begin when the time of trouble which is predicted in Daniel 12:1 commences, when the Turk "shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain" [Jerusalem].

In view of these things, how can Seventh-day Adventist parents permit their children to attend a school where things are taught that undermine faith in the Word of God? Above all, how can they send their children to worldly schools when church schools are being conducted where they could attend if they desired to send them? The theory of evolution is made prominent in the instruction given in the worldly schools, and it is not unusual for teachers to encourage their students to attend the theater, dance, and read the most popular novels of the day. Even the readers which are used contain fictitious stories. In New York State there is a law that requires all boys to take part in a military drill twenty hours each month.

With an education along these lines, is it strange that such students have no relish for the Word of God, and especially for this precious message?

The following testimony should awaken the most indifferent parent concerning the importance of getting his children out of the worldly schools: "Any one of the children of the Hebrews who was found in an Egyptian habitation was destroyed.

"This experience of the Israelites was written for the instruction of those who should live in the last days. Before the overflowing scourge shall come upon the dwellers of the earth, the Lord calls upon all who are Israelites indeed to prepare for that event."—*Testimonies for the Church, Vol. VI, p. 195.* Are your children in an Egyptian camp? Will they be found there when the "overflowing scourge" comes?

"Work as if you were working for your life to save the children from being drowned in the polluting, corrupting influences of the world."—*Id., page 199.* Think of this striking figure. We should be as intense over the education of our children in right lines as we would be to rescue a drowning person. What is your attitude?

When the laws of the land prohibit the message being taught by men and women, the spirit of prophecy says that "children who have been rightly educated will in their simplicity speak words which will be an astonishment to men who now talk of 'higher education.' . . . In these last days, children's voices will be raised to give the last message of warning to a perishing world. When heavenly intelligences see that men are no longer permitted to present the truth, the Spirit of God will come upon the children, and they will do a work in the proclamation of the truth which the older workers cannot do, because their way will be hedged up."—*Id., pp. 202-203.*

ITEMS

THE enrolment of the Buffalo church school is increasing.

Brother W. M. Vehorn is attending the bookmen's convention at Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

Professor George Owens, principal of the Fernwood Academy, has been ill, but is now recovering.

Brother Paul Baroudi left January 17 for Eastern New York to visit his relatives and friends.

Miss Edna Baker has been elected leader of the Rochester Young People's Missionary Volunteer Society.

Several of the students' rooms in the Fernwood Academy dormitory have been furnished, but others remain to be furnished. What churches or individuals will furnish one room or more? The approximate expense required to furnish a room is forty-five dollars.

Sister Nelson Smith, of Albion, writes as follows: "Please accept my thanks for the GLEANER, for I had thought I must stop it, as I cannot afford all the papers. I must have the good old *Review*, as I cannot get along without it. I am afraid I shall lose my moorings, surrounded by the world. It has made its weekly visits ever since 1855, when it was printed on Monroe Street, Rochester, and I look anxiously for it when it gets to be Friday, for it is all the preacher I have. I have had the *Signs* ever since it was printed. I do not see how any one lives spiritually without these papers. I have read my Bible through every year for over sixty years, and this year I have started again."

EASTERN NEW YORK

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

GENERAL MEETING

Syracuse

A GENERAL meeting will be held in the Syracuse church beginning Friday evening, February 9, and continuing till Sunday evening, the

11th. Members of near-by churches are cordially invited to attend, and we especially hope to see a good representation from South Onondaga, Fulton, and Oswego. If members from Pulaski and Cleveland can be present they will receive a hearty welcome, as will also all isolated members.

The dedication service of the new Syracuse church school building will be held on the Sabbath. Elder R. D. Quinn, Elder F. C. Gilbert, and the writer will be present to take part in the meetings.

Midday and evening lunches will be served in the basement of the church, and entertainment for visiting members will be arranged by the Syracuse church. In order to divide the labor and expense of entertainment we would suggest that each one bring cooked foods with them to be served in the dining-room.

Matters of special interest and importance will be considered at this general meeting, and this notice is given early in order that the members of the Syracuse and other near-by churches may have ample time to arrange their plans so as to attend every service.

H. C. HARTWELL.

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ITEMS

BRETHREN H. A. MAY and Elmer Whelpley are attending the publishers' convention in Washington.

Elder Hartwell was called by telegram last week to attend an important council at Takoma Park, Washington.

There was a good attendance from Albany, Troy, and Amsterdam at the union meeting at Schenectady last Sabbath. Excellent services were held, and every one present made a full surrender to God. One hundred forty dollars was raised in pledges toward the evangelistic campaign which began last Sunday evening, conducted by Elder Gilbert.

SO. NEW ENGLAND

51 Whitmore St., Hartford, Conn.

ITEMS

IN the report of the Guilford church dedication, where it was stated that "the first meeting was held in the church March 11, 1915," it should have read 1916.

A most excellent meeting was held in the Hartford church Sabbath, January 6, when the members pledged \$940 to missions and local church expenses for 1917. This church is growing strong and looking forward to this year's campaign in the city with the hope that the truth will be brought to many who are now ignorant of it.

We are just mailing about 2000 follow-up letters to those who purchased the books "Bible Readings" and "Coming King" during the summer of 1916. We hope you will remember this matter in prayer frequently, that God will enable us to search out those who are greatly interested through reading the books and bring them to a decision for the truth.

All will be saddened to learn of the death of Sister Sloane, who had been employed in the office for several months in stenographic work. She was attacked by a very malignant form of la grippe, and passed away in a few days as the result of weakening of the heart by the disease. Brother Glenn Russell is dividing his time between the office and the field, helping carry this work temporarily until other arrangements are made.

The conference committee met in Hartford January 14 and 15. After viewing the work of the past year, plans were formulated for the advancement of the work during the current year. It is planned to conduct several tent efforts, making a special effort in the two capitals and then in unentered cities. We were glad to have Elder H. C. J. Walle-

THE BOOK WORK

Western New York, two weeks ending Jan. 20, 1917

Massachusetts, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

Name	Bk	Hrs	Value	Helps	Total	Del
F. & Mrs. Brownell	B R	122	90 00	17 25	107 25	28 00
W. J. & Mrs. Frank		87	73 00	3 80	76 80	1 90
Adell M. Robert	C K	55	42 00	2 50	44 50	
R. F. Cossentine	B R	55	70 50	6 25	76 75	10 50
Ellen Hallifax	C K	54	65 50	3 00	68 50	2 00
F. B. Oaks	B R	51	96 50	1 60	98 10	
I. D. Saddlemire	B R	49	31 50		31 50	1 50
W. E. Haynes	B R	45	53 00	1 00	54 00	3 00
Viola VanBenscoten	C K	44	24 00	8 00	32 00	
J. A. Carr	C K	37	20 00	91	20 91	2 75
Bessie Berkley	C K	34	26 00	5 53	31 53	1 50
J. H. Eick	C K	25	35 00	1 55	36 55	
Grace Price	C K	22	11 50	1 50	13 00	
Mrs. W. J. Klinck	B R	13	16 00	1 75	17 75	75
Mrs. Shotwell	C K	7	13 50	1 50	15 00	8 25
J. Gould	Misc.		10 00	1 30	11 30	8 00

Name	Bk	Hrs	Value	Helps	Total	Del
A. Cleaves	G C	38	24 00	50	24 50	22 50
H. G. Hedden	B R	35	30 50		30 50	32 00
Chas. Lynes	B R	31	69 00	75	69 75	
E. M. Carpenter	D R	30	3 50	4 75	8 25	6 50
C. W. Syring	B R	22	3 50		3 50	6 75
Mrs. E. Laycock	B R	22	15 00		15 00	61 00
Harold Sweeney	D R	20	3 50	1 50	5 00	
Mrs. C. B. Beckwith	B R	19	14 00	4 25	18 25	
Alice Lunt	B R	12	3 50	2 50	6 00	
* Angus Campbell	B R		63 50		63 50	

10 Agents 229 230 00 14 25 244 25 128 75

Greater New York, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

John H. Kennedy	B R	44	18 50		18 50	15 00
W. F. Gaskin		28	8 50		8 50	6 85
Mrs. Countryman	B R	26	54 00	8 50	62 50	37 00
Joseph Anderson	B R	25	3 00	2 75	5 75	51 25
J. J. Mitchell	B R	13	6 00	1 00	7 00	24 00
C. S. Countryman	D R		17 50		17 50	8 00
C. P. Durr	D R	2	13 50		13 50	

7 Agents 138 121 00 12 25 133 25 142 10

Maine, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

E. M. Townsend	B R	37	29 00	11 25	40 25	
C. O. Perkins	B R	37	105 50	14 25	119 75	
L. H. Hayden	B R	32	28 00	3 75	31 75	
W. R. McLaughlin	B R	30	47 00	1 50	48 50	
W. C. Knight	B R	28	74 50	2 50	77 00	

5 Agents 164 284 00 33 25 317 25

Northern New England, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

W. W. Eastman	B R	6	8 00		8 00	9 00
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* Two weeks

Totals, Jan. 20, 1917	Hrs	Value	Helps	Total	Del
60 Agents	1620	2061 75	160 49	2222 24	286 75

Totals for corresp. wk. last year	19 Agents	585	441 50	62 50	504 00	163 95
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Eastern New York, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

P. R. Griffis	B R	31	97 50	4 00	101 50	7 75
J. H. Deeley	B R	31	44 00	4 00	48 00	10 50
* Richard Bros.	D R	30	30 00	3 50	33 50	
C. E. Wheeler	D R	28	29 50		29 50	
Mrs. Lillie Brewer	B R	29	64 50	50	65 00	5 00
A. W. Huntington	B R	28	45 00	50	45 50	
Susie Brewer	B R	28	10 50	1 25	11 75	50
A. Van Tassell	B R	24	19 50	3 00	22 50	
L. W. Kurz	B R	24	35 00	50	35 50	

10 Agents 253 375 50 17 25 392 75 23 75

Southern New England, week ending Jan. 20, 1917

H. C. Wilcox	B R	20	74 50	2 50	77 00	15 00
Charlotte Stimets	B R	20	43 00		43 00	
D. P. Waldo	B R	20	25 00		25 00	
Viola Appleby	C K	17	67 50	6 00	73 50	
Mrs. A. L. Griffis	C K	17	66 00	6 75	72 75	
R. E. Moore	B R	18	29 00	75	29 75	
Mrs. R. E. Moore	C K	9	7 00	1 80	8 80	
Ellery Robinson		9	9 25		9 25	
* W. B. Eldridge	C K		44 00	8 25	52 25	

9 Agents 130 365 25 26 00 391 30 15 00

ker with us. He has been released from the Greater New York Conference to us, and will soon locate in the Providence field.

It was voted to hold the camp-meeting at Hartford from June 28 to July 8. We hope this will be late enough in the spring to avoid the cold, rainy season of early June common in recent years. Also the schools will be closed so that parents will not be detained at home for that reason. We hope that every one will begin to plan immediately to attend the camp-meeting. As the time draws near more information will be forthcoming.

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"If the world seems cold to you,
Kindle fires to warm it!
Let their comfort hide from view
Winters that deform it.
Hearts as frozen as your own
To that radiance gather;
You will soon forget to moan,
'Ah! the cheerless weather!'"

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ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED.—Boy, 16 or 17, Sabbath-keeper, to work on farm. Need not thoroughly understand farming, but willing to learn.
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HAVE sold our farm. Have a young girl to educate, and we wish to locate near a good school and church. Would like a small place where could keep bees and hens. If any GLEANER readers have or know of any place, please write to

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A GOOD WORK

THE 1916 Harvest Ingathering campaign is in the past, and we have been anxiously waiting to hear from the various conferences in this Union before reporting in the GLEANER the total results. We are rejoiced to tell you that the dear Lord has greatly blessed, and the total Harvest Ingathering offering in the Atlantic Union Conference reached the grand sum of \$15,721.41. This is all to be used in spreading the glad tidings of salvation to those in benighted darkness in the far-away lands of heathenism, and for all this we praise the Lord.

It will be interesting and encouraging to just note by way of comparison the marked increase in the Harvest Ingathering offerings during the last four years:—

1913	\$5711.56
1914	5968.59
1915	12,343.84
1916	15,721.41

The Harvest Ingathering offering for 1915 was more than double the amount of the year previous, and the offering for last year shows an increase over the offering for 1914 of nearly \$10,000.

These good results have all been due to the blessing of the Lord and the excellent cooperation of all the conferences in our Union. The dear brethren and sisters have worked hard and faithfully soliciting with the papers and have also given lib-

erally themselves. About 125,000 copies of the Harvest Ingathering Signs were ordered, and we trust that all were used. This was an increase of about twenty-five thousand over the previous year, and fifty-five thousand over 1914. We wish that it were possible to write you of the many blessed experiences that so many enjoyed in this good work, but we can only wait until Jesus comes, and then we shall see the full results of all these good experiences in this blessed work. May the dear Lord grant that the next Harvest Ingathering campaign may bring still greater blessings to all the churches in the Atlantic Union.

Personally, I have enjoyed the small part that God has given me in this last campaign, and now as I take up evangelistic work for awhile in the cities of Maine, I do earnestly request the prayers of God's dear people, for the winning of many precious souls to the Master.

A. E. SANDERSON.

MAINE

75 Grant St., Portland, Me.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

A GENERAL meeting will be held in Lewiston on the Sabbath, February 17, to which all are most cordially invited. We trust that many will plan to attend. A. E. SANDERSON.

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ITEMS

SISTER E. L. HILLS, of Lincolnville, is ill with pneumonia.

Sister Amelia Brown is suffering from an attack of erysipelas. She is being cared for in the home of Brother and Sister Morrell by Sister Newhall.

Elder Verrill was a welcome visitor to the Portland church at the second Sabbath services. The brethren and sisters were refreshed by his timely remarks.

The sisters of the Cliff Island mis-

sionary society are actively at work each week making quilts and other articles to sell for the benefit of their church school.

Brother Ross is representing the tract society and home missionary work for the Maine Conference at the publishers' convention in Takoma Park, D. C.

Elder Walker and Brother Howe met with the company at Saco last Sabbath morning and were at Portland in the afternoon. All were glad to have Elder Walker with us again after his recent illness.

Books can be sold in Maine in the winter. Thousands of homes in the State must be entered. A few are at work. Send your name to the office if you can only spend a short time in the work. We are sure God is calling for laborers in this department.

Elder Sanderson reports good courage, and recognizes many indications which increase his hope and faith in accomplishing the work he felt impressed to undertake in Lewiston. Will not all the people pray for the work there?

Last week was very cold, but, nevertheless, Brother Chester O. Perkins succeeded in taking orders for \$119.75 worth of books. Several other of the canvassers had good reports, too, for which we are very thankful.

Sister Abbie Webber, of Clinton, writes that she is having serious trouble with her eyes. She requests the prayers of all the GLEANER family that her eyes may be healed and her eyesight fully restored. Please let all remember her case.

Ten of our Sabbath-schools have reported the perfect attendance of seventy-two members during the past quarter. Had we the report of the other fifteen, it would doubtless make a very encouraging comparison with a few quarters ago. But should we not strive to do better than this? Let us make the first quarter of 1917 the banner one in our regular attendance at the Sabbath-school.