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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

ENLARGEMENT OF OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK

THE greatest need of the world today in the finishing of the work committed to us, is that of trained men and women. The children and youth of this day are to be the workers in the cause in the few years of remaining time for the giving of the third angel's message. In every great council recently we have been more profoundly convinced of the fact that every available young man and young woman should be in training to become definite factors for the finishing of God's work.

In the Atlantic Union Conference plans looking forward to greatly enlarged activities in educational lines have been perfected. Professor L. O. Machlan, the educational secretary of the Atlantic Union Conference, is giving most earnest thought and endeavor to the matter of greatly strengthening our church school work. There should be in training at this time a goodly number of strong Christian teachers for this branch of the work. More schools could be in operation had we more teachers. Our normal department in the college should be well filled with those who are preparing for this important and fundamental part of our educational work.

In counsel with the General Conference Committee and educational department, the commit-

tee of the Atlantic Union Conference has advised establishing intermediate schools in different sections of the Union by which to greatly stimulate and strengthen our educational work, and to provide means by which a younger class of students than should be at the college may receive proper training nearer home. We have endeavored to step carefully and plan wisely in this thing. We do not wish to enter into an arrangement that will bring into existence institutions that will prove a burden and that may seem unnecessary. It is only after the most careful and general study that any action has been taken.

In keeping with this plan of enlargement, a school site has been selected in Eastern New York, and plans are well advanced for opening an academy near Clinton, New York, for that field. A most excellent farm has been secured. which we feel is well located and quite ideal for such an institution. Elder Hartwell announces they are going right ahead with their plans, and it has been decided that the annual camp-meeting will be held on the new school site. I am sure that this will be a most interesting meeting, and that all Eastern New York people will manifest a keen interest in the step that is being taken for advancement. Really, is it not time that we should be doing everything in our power to hasten the finishing of this work, which certainly must, terminate quickly?

I have just returned from the

Maine Conference, where, in association with others, we have been seeking for a location for the new academy. A most excellent place has been decided upon. I shall not endeavor to describe the property, as this matter doubtless will be presented more fully by the president of that conference later. It seemed to us all that in the providence of God the place had been held for this very purpose. The farm is well located geographically, and is in about the right relationship to a city with all that could be asked for as to beauty and accessibility. Considering values of land and buildings at the present time, I do not think that they have been required to pay for this property more than one-tenth of its real value. Without doubt a small school will be opened this fall at this new location.

In Greater New York plans are well in progress for carrying on intermediate school work in that great conference. If the arrangements now under consideration can be carried forward, a most excellent location is provided, and everything will be in hand for opening a school in that great city. It is not thought wise to establish a boarding-school, nor do we wish to encourage the holding of our young people in the cities, yet the circumstances are such that in Greater New York such provision is required to help to safeguard and make a beginning in educational work with large number of young people

who cannot well be taken elsewhere at the present time.

In Western New York plans are being carried out for strengthening and enlarging the Fernwood These institutions in Academy. the local conferences will make greater demands upon our central school, where we will naturally be receiving a more advanced and more mature class of students). Without doubt quite extensive improvements and repairs will soon be made, that our work at South Lancaster may occupy a high plane, and that the full requirements may be made for greatly strengthening our educational system to meet the requirements of the world field at this time.

E. K. Slade.

THE ANGEL GABRIEL NOT THE HOLY SPIRIT

THE human mind delights to solve mysteries, yet we must ever remember that the path of error often appears to lie close to the truth. Nowhere has God revealed the mysteries of his personality, or how the Holy Spirit could be a person, and yet be in every place personally.

There is coming in among some of our people the teaching that the angel Gabriel is the Holy Spirit. This attempt to fathom the mysteries of the personality of the Holy Spirit is very gratifying to some minds. It explains the mystery of Christ's conception, and makes the angel Gabriel the father of Jesus Christ. It also explains the mystery of how the Holy Spirit can be everywhere at once, for if a created angel is the Holy Spirit, other angels are the ones who do the office work of the Holy Spirit. The main line of reasoning is this:

The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Godhead, who imparts light and knowledge to the peo-

ple of God. Gabriel, who has taken the place of Lucifer as light bearer and stands next to Christ, has knowledge withheld from others (Dan. 10:21), and is the special angel of Christ to bring light to the prophets of God and his people. Hence, Gabriel must be the Comforter Jesus promised.

In the earthly sanctuary, the pattern of the heavenly, God's throne was between the cherubim. Reasoning from this fact, they attempt to prove that as Christ is at the right-hand of God, he must have been one of the covering cherubim, and Lucifer, the covering cherub who stood next to Christ, must have been the third person of the Trinity or the Holy Spirit. The seriousness of the whole teaching is that it makes God the Holy Spirit a created angel, and if one angel fails, other angels can become God. Worse still, it hurls the charge toward heaven that sin originated with God the Holy Spirit. Hence, if God is responsible for the entrance of sin, we are not responsible, and can not be held accountable.

Let us heed the warning, "The secret things belong unto "The highest Lord our God." intellect may tax itself until it is wearied out in conjectures regarding the nature of God; but the efforts will be fruitless. This problem has not been given us to solve. No human mind can comprehend God. Let not finite man attempt to interpret him. Let none indulge in speculation regarding his nature. Here silence is eloquence. The Omniscent One is above discussion. Those human beings who seek to intrude into the secrets of the Most High show their ignorance of spiritual and eternal things. Far better might they, while mercy's voice is still heard, humble themselves in the dust, and plead with God to teach them his ways. Instead of speculating in regard to his nature or his prerogatives, let us give heed to the word he has spoken, 'Be still and know that I am God.'"—Vol. VIII, page 279. "Canst thou by searching find out God?"

R. S. FRIES.

MAINE 75 Grant St., Portland, Me. H. W. Carr, President

THE SCHOOL FARM

For some time a conviction has been growing among the believers in Maine that there should be a school provided for such children as are not of sufficient age to attend Lancaster Junior College. A place has at last been selected. Elder Slade and Brother Kilgore of the Union, Brother Russell, with the members of the Maine Conference Committee and several other brethren, gathered at a beautiful farm of one hundred twenty-two acres located two miles south of the city of Auburn.

This farm was selected a few years ago by one of Auburn's wealthiest men for a country residence. The farm was improved and the buildings enlarged and beautified at great expense. The house contains twenty-two rooms besides closets, pantries, and halls. The barn is a commodious building with all modern improvements, finished with the very best workmanship. is also another large barn and five other buildings for housing farm implements, poultry, and other equipment. All felt clear that the Lord has been keeping this place for us.

We must commence work at once, as there are no crops in. Now, brethren, help us. We want some seed potatoes. Any package from a peck up can be sent to

"Gressmere Farm," Auburn, Maine. There should be sent to the Maine Conference, 75 Grant Street, a card or letter stating what was sent, and when. We can also use seed corn, beans, pumpkins squash, and such like. If you can supply more than you feel like donating, we shall be glad to pay you for them, as potatoes are very high here in the city.

We have suggested the name of "Crystal Springs Academy" for this beautiful farm on account of the wonderful springs which supply the farm with water. We have decided to hold our campmeeting at "Crystal Springs Academy" this fall.

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THE home missionary convention which convened at Lewiston, May 28, and continued over Sabbath and Sunday, proved to be very interesting and helpful. A splendid attendance and good attention was given from first to last, and as far as we know, all who were there received a new impetus to carry this message to others with more zeal and faithfulness than they have known before

Besides Elder Carr, Elder Osborne, Brother Perkins, and our home workers, Elder E. K. Slade, from South Lancaster was present, also Elder Wm. Butler, the Atlantic Union home missionary secretary. These brethren assisted us very much in the meeting. It is planned to hold a similar meeting at Skowhegan continuing all day Sabbath, June 12.

We received a letter from Brother McCormick this past week in which he relates an interesting experience. He states that he called at the home of a widow, and after gaining entrance, discerned that she was a Catholic. So he gave his exhibition with all

the tact he possibly could. However, he failed to secure the order, the lady informing him that she had all the books that were necessary for her to have in her Before Brother Mcchurch. Cormick left, she asked him to to her the kaiser explain On account of his prophecy. time, Brother McCormick did not feel free to give this explanation to her then, but made ar appointment with her for Sabbath afternoon. Brother McCormick states, "I went over Sabbath afternoon, and with the help of God I showed her the difference between the kaiser and the pope, and just who the beast was, and before I got through she understood. She invited me to stay for supper, after which we had another little talk, and I gave her a little tract on 'The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast,' also lent her 'Steps to Christ.' When I was leaving she said she was very grateful for such instruction, and told me that I could bring her one of 'Our Day' in the cloth binding, as she wanted to know more about this. She said that she believed I had been a Catholic (which I never was) because I knew more about them than she did." May the dear Lord water this seed, that it may spring forth and bear luscious fruit in his vineyard. * *

MARRIAGE Russell-Bates

On June 1 there were gathered at the home of Miss Jennie R. Bates, of Norway, a company of her many friends to witness the marriage ceremony which proved to be a very pleasant occasion. We are glad that our faithful and highly esteemed co-laborer decided to accept the association and companionship of Brother W. M. Russell, also of Norway. Brother Russell accepted the

truth many years ago through the labors of J. B. Goodrich, and has proved his faithfulness to the cause by a well-ordered and exemplary life.

The wedding ceremony was performed by Elder W. O. Howe, after which the couple received many congratulations, and the next morning started for Aroostook County to spend a few days with their friends. Brother Russell used to live in the northern part of the State.

* * NOTICE

A GENERAL meeting will be held at Skowhegan, commencing Friday, June II, at 7:45 P. M., and closing Sunday evening. The members of the Shawmut, Norridgewock, Hartland, and Cornville churches are earnestly requested to be present at these meetings.

WESTERN NEW YORK 60 Grand Ave., Rochester, N. Y.

R. S. Fries, President

TO THE MISSIONARY VOLUNTEERS

Our March report shows a volunteer band of seven societies in the Western New York Conference, but the Lord is helping us to muster recruits for his army, and we are very much encouraged to report ten active societies with groups of young people in other churches preparing for organized work.

Just last Sabbath at Burt, New York, our hearts were made glad when a company of twenty bright young people responded readily to the call for volunteers, and organized for service.

But, dear young people, we must all press on till the battle is won. We need every young person in our ranks. If you are not near enough to any church to join

with others in a missionary volunteer society, will you not send your name and address to the conference office at 60 Grand Avenue, Rochester, and become a member of the conference society of missionary volunteers? In this way you may receive the benefit of the society, and your reports will help to encourage others. Will you volunteer?

Mrs. R. S. Fries.

FIELD DAY AT LOCKPORT

Two hours' work and \$7.50 for missions. This was at Lockport on Sunday, field day, May 29. Sister Mary Gibbs was worker, Miss Gibbs teaches in one of the Lock City schools and never had worked among for-English papers eigners before! were all she could secure, but she went. She asked a little Italian to interpret for her. What gratifying results! One Italian gave her \$2. How her face glowed with animation as she told us her experience! Every one who went out that day did well. This home missionary convention showed that Lockport is a fruitful field. God can use every one of the believers there in this personal campaign for souls.

Sister Hazel Roth, wife of Elder Andre Roth, of Haiti, who is visiting her parents, gave a splendid talk, sketching briefly the work in that field. She said the minister there does not bring the people into the truth. The church members do that part. The minister then examines them and baptizes them. If those poor ignorant natives can be used of God to win souls, what cannot every one of us do? R. B. CLAPP.

* * NOTICES

God willing, I shall meet with the Corning church, Sabbath, June 12, and trust there will be a

large attendance. It has been some time since I have met with these faithful believers. Let all pray for God's richest blessing on this occasion.

Plans are being perfected for a home missionary convention at Niagara Falls. If nothing intervenes to delay the time of this gathering, June 18-20 will be the date. Elder Fries is expected to be present. Let all in that section plan definitely to attend. There will be a service Friday evening and Sunday evening. Field day at 9 o'clock, Sunday morning. R. B. Clapp.

NOTICE

Seventh-day Adventist THE church at Tunesassa, N. Y., desires information concerning the following individuals, whose names are on the church list, and have not been heard from for some time: Ruth Tracy, Edna Patterson, Rosa Printup, Lenora Spears, Lawrence Edgerton, Carleton Mason, Clarence Mason,

Address, Mrs. S. Steck, Tunesassa, N. Y.

ITEMS

BROTHER TAYLOR recently spent a few days at Fernwood auditing the school books.

We are glad to welcome Mr. Wilbert Seymour at the conference office to fill the vacancy made by Miss Coss.

Brother A. R. Evans has been assisting Brother Baroudi in starting the student colporteurs in their summer's work.

Have you seen the new Instructor Anti-Tobacco Annual? If not, send to the office for a copy. The old prices prevail: 10 cents single copy; 5-40 copies, 5 cents each; 50 or more copies, 4 cents a copy.

SO. NEW ENGLAND
51 Whitmore St., Hartford, Conn.
A. T. Robinson, President

ITEMS

BROTHER GERALD recently made a short visit at the home of his parents in Belgrade, Maine

Miss Gladys Robinson, of the Pacific Union College, is spending the summer with her parents, Elder and Mrs. A. T. Robinson.

Mrs. Etta E. Dickinson, who has been spending the winter with Elder and Mrs. A. T. Robinson, has returned to her home in Amherst, Mass.

On account of the health of her father, Miss Bertha N. Stewart, who has been engaged in the Bible work in our conference during the past year, has returned to her home in New Jersey.

The office workers are planning on going to Norwich to prepare for the camp-meeting on Monday, June 14, so any correspondence for the conference or tract society after that date should be sent to Norwich, in care of the Community House of the United Congregational Church, Church Street.

Brethren Dunham and Gram have been assisting Brother Pettis in securing rooms for the campmeeting. They report that they have received a hearty welcome from the people there in their work of securing the rooms. The people in Norwich seem glad that we are going there for our campmeeting. We trust that the meeting may prove a blessing to them, and be the means of awakening their interest in the truth.

This, no doubt, will be the last notice we will have time to print in the GLEANER before our campmeeting, June 17 to 27, in Norwich. If you have not already made arrangements to be there,

decide at once to come, and write Brother Pettis in regard to your room. We are glad to report to our people that they are securing the rooms at from five to six dollars a room, with double bed for the ten days of the meeting. We believe this is very reasonable considering the high cost of nearly everything.

MASSACHUSETTS South Lancaster, Mass.

J. K. Jones, President.

CAMP-MEETING Do We Need One?

CAMP-MEETING in South Lancaster is only three weeks off, and will soon be here and be over. The world is in a much worse condition today than when the world war was going at its highest. The nations of earth are far more unsettled now than when the armistice was signed Nov. 11, Brethren and sisters, the 1918. very condition of this old world should cause us all to desire to go to camp-meeting, for it is there that one always receives a great spiritual revival.

The present high cost of living with its attendant high wage and plenty of labor program, will not be a permanent thing. Some day we shall experience a business depression. Now is the time to learn God's plans for this old world, so why not come to campmeeting and receive a fresh baptism of the dear old truth that may be growing cold in our hearts. That alone will keep us through the trying days before us.

I am glad a goodly number of our brethren are coming. Better come to the camp and lose a few dollars in wages, than lose this great spiritual feast. The village is very beautiful now, and it will be very restful here. Come aside with us and rest awhile. Re-

member the date, June 24 to July 4. Send your order in now, we will tell you how to reach here a little later.

J. K. Jones.

THIRTEENTH SABBATH OFFERING

What will our next thirteenth Sabbath offering be? is the question that now faces every one of our Sabbath schools. On account of the camp-meeting's coming June 24 to July 4, this offering is to be taken *June 19*.

Beginning with the year 1920, we took for our Sabbath-school watchword, "Onward, ever onward," and you know the generous offering for British East and West Africa that you sent us—\$2916.77, more than \$900 above the goal set for that day. It is also \$1347.52 more than you gave for the thirteenth Sabbath of the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1919.

To rest content with present achievement is hazardous. We must still move "Onward, ever onward." The third angel's message is fast finishing its work, and unless as Sabbath schools, as individuals, we keep pace with the advancing work of God, probation will close and we shall find ourselves rejected for selfishly withholding our means, and for "neglected work."

June 19, the offering is for "Our schools for the colored people in the homeland and in mission fields," the call is for \$65,000 on that day. This embraces "our principal training school for the colored people located at Huntsville, our recently re-established school in Jamaica, and all our training schools in South Africa."

"What are we doing for the Southern field? . . . The Southern field has been touched only with the tips of our fingers."—
Vol. VIII, p. 60.

"Our people should provide a fund for the education of men and women in the Southern States, who, being acustomed to the climate, can work there with out endangering their health. . . . Our churches in the North, as well as the South, should do what they can to help support the school work for the colored children."—Vol. IX, p. 200.

In Central Africa we are told that more than seventy million have never heard even the name of Jesus. David Livingston, Robert Moffat, and other heroes, gave their lives to win some souls to Christ and his kingdom. Shall we not "share in this great work of helping Jesus Christ to be known" and loved in Africa? Now is our opportunity, and we do hope that you will have a most liberal offering June 19, 1920. Let every one bring a dollar on that day and as much more as the Spirit will whisper in your ear, and to your heart, to give.

The children are interested in earning money for the thirteenth Sabbath; that the name, and love of Jesus may be known and felt by the children in Africa. This morning a bright little fellow came to my door to sell plants, and vegetables, another wanted to work at any thing that he might have his thirteenth Sabbath money, a little girl came with "Best Stories," and another with the .25 books. They are glad to leave their play, to work for Jesus and have something to give when the offering is gathered. Let each teacher set a goal for the class and with the blessing of God we can reach the goal of \$2,500 set for Massachusetts Sabbath schools on June 19.

ELLA M. WILBER, Sabbath School Secretary.

"STUDY to be quiet." The BALL

MARRIED Burke-Nickerson

A PRETTY wedding took place at the home of the writer on Monday evening, May 24, just after the graduation exercises of the Mr. Keith college had closed. Burke and Miss Myrtle Nickerson, both students of the school, were united in matrimony. Burke is one of this year's graduates, and the large company present at the wedding testified to the esteem in which this couple They are to connect are held. with a tent effort this summer, fall for Mr. leaving in the Burke's home conference of Jamaica, where he is to enter the work. We wish them God's blessing as together they walk through J. K. Jones. li fe.

Wilber-Daggett

Tuesday morning, June 1, a pretty home wedding took place, when Mr. Harold Wilber and Miss Hazel Daggett were united in marriage at the home of Sister E. M. Wilber, state Sabbath school secretary and mother of the bridegroom. The house was beautifully decorated with lilacs and other flowers under which the bride and groom stood. Mr. Wilber works in the E. E. Miles book bindery, where he operates one of their special machines. After the wedding the happy couple took an auto and went away for a several days' honeymoon trip. On returning, they take up their residence in the home of Sister Wilber which has been nicely fitted for them. We bespeak for them a happy future.

J. K. Jones.

"As My Father hath sent me even so send I you."

"Brains and pains and prayer are an irresistible trinity."

(Continued from p. 8) He will doubtless visit all of our churches during the summer.

Mrs. Hartwell and the writer have already begun a series of visits among our churches, and are planning to make a tour of the rest of the conference during the next few weeks. A number of general meetings in different sections are being arranged for.

The work on our farm of the Eastern New York academy is being carried on by Brother L. H. Gardiner and Brother E. E. Cossentine. who arrived on the grounds about two weeks ago.

Let us pray for the work and the workers in Eastern New York, and let us all plan to attend the camp-meeting on the school grounds August 12 to 22. statement of prices and other particulars in regard to this important meeting will be given next week. H. C. HARTWELL.

MARRIED

Johnson-Pultz

SUNDAY afternoon, May 16, at Albany, at the parsonage, Sister Beatrice Pultz became the bride of Brother Albern Johnson. Both were students at South Lancaster last year. Mrs. Johnson is a Bible worker, and will continue her work in Albany, as they plan to live there. Elder H. A. Vandeman performed the ceremony.

OBITUARY NOTICES

Houghton. — Little Ralph Edwin Houghton, aged five years and eight months, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Houghton, of 46 Chase St., Burlington, Vt., died of pneumonia May 18, 1920, at his home, after an illness of only one day and a half. Funeral service was conducted by the writer. One of his many little friends, Marjory Abbott, sang, "Jesus loves me," and at the close of the service Miss Myrtle Hartford and Mrs. Edna Abbott sang, "As

Thou wilt." Though Ralph will be greatly missed by his many friends, his loved ones have the assurance that he sleeps in Jesus while at rest in Green Mount Cemetery. The floral tribute was F. S. HARTWELL. very large. *

Hoy .- L. Corinne Hoy died May 20, aged 38 years and 5 days. Sister Hoy was a graduate of the New England Sanitarium nurses' class of 1912. She learned about the teachings of Seventh-day Adventists while in training for Christian work at Nyack, N. Y., an institution conducted by the Christian Alliance, through an address delivered by Elder Gilbert, I understand. Later, after studying the subject, she accepted the views of our people. She was given six months by her parents, who were Pennsylvania Dutch, to give up her faith, after which, because she continued to observe the Sabbath, the door of her parents' home was shut against her. As she thus took her departure, she said, "Lord, I have obeyed thy word, show me where to go," after which she was led to one of our sisters who opened her home to her. Soon afterward she came to the sanitarium, where during her course she had the highest average in her studies among her class-mates and was chosen to select the class motto. It was, "For Service or Sacrifice;" and this motto she herself faithfully followed. When selecting their class pin, instead of procuring a gold one, like the rest, at \$4.50, she chose a silver one costing only \$1.50. In dress she was in all respects an example of Christian plainness, neatness, and refined taste; in conduct, modest and quiet; in conversation, serious yet cheerful; studious and raethodical in her work, she sought conscientiously to live up to her Bible and the Testimonies which she always read with much interest. Following her graduation in 1913. she accepted a call to South America. and in Brazil labored devotedly as a mis sionary until the progress of a malignant disease made it necessary for her to return to this country last year. She was a patient sufferer, and her nurses were much attached to her. She sent out many letters to friends during her last illness, and much literature appealing to them to obey the truth, and at least three persons promised her that they would do so. A memorial service was conducted for her at the sanitarium chapel, and the body was sent to her friends near Reading, Pennsylvania, for interment.

LEE S. WHEELER, Chaplain.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

WE are pleased to have with us Brother J. W. Christman, who has connected with Lancaster Junior College as its business manager. Brother Christman has had considerable experience in this line of work in connection with the Washington Missionary College, and he comes to us as a practical man with a deep interest in our educational work, and an especial interest in our young people; and I am sure that he will be glad to assist and encourage those with whom he will be required to deal who are seeking to secure an education. As our college grows in size and importance, we look upon this arrangement as a decided step in advancement, and we are hoping through the careful management of Brother Christman that there will be many improvements that will contribute to the greater comfort and convenience of our student body, and to greater efficiency in our college work in general.

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PLANS FOR THE SUMMER

A MEETING of our district superintendents was held at Utica, on, Tuesday, June 1. Reports of the condition of the work in each district were presented, and plans for the summer were considered.

At a previous meeting of these same workers, it had been decided to hold three tent efforts this season; but on account of interests that have already been developed in different cities, which must be followed up, it has been found difficult to release enough of our laborers to form a tent company of sufficient strength to carry on a successful effort.

Elder Vandeman, in the Albany district, will need about all the time between now and campmeeting to bind off the interest which he has been developing during the past few months, and a good-sized class there is awaiting baptism.

Brother Schnetzler has hands full in the Utica district. The Utica church is growing in membership and in the amount of mission offerings. There is a goodly number there ready for baptism, and several others are being prepared for this ordinance.

The interest in Syracuse, which Brother King has been developing in connection with the Alhambra meetings, is still strong; and although the attendance has begun to fall off since the testing truths have been presented, there are still about two hundred present each Sunday night, and there is promise of a substantial addition to the membership of the church. A good-sized class is ready for baptism, and it seems probable that there will be a larger class

later on. It is apparent that thi interest must be carried on fo several weeks yet.

The work at Binghamton i very encouraging. The attendance on the Sabbath has been greatly increased during the past winte and spring, as a result of the ef forts put forth since Brother Os wald was placed in charge of the work there. There are a numbe in that city awaiting baptism a the first opportunity.

Brother Snide did not report a large interest in any particula city in the northern district, bu stated that there were quite : number in the vicinity of Sarana Lake, and in other places, read or preparing for baptism.

It appears that there are be tween ninety and one hundred a least in various parts of the con ference who will go forward in baptism during the next fev From the present out weeks. look, we shall add to our mem bership more souls than usual while at the same time we shall not have the usual added expens of conducting tent meetings, a these workers will continue to develop and bind off their effort by holding Sunday night meet ings, cottage meetings, and Bible readings during the next six weeks, and then it will be time to preparations for make camp meeting.

Brother Weller has quite number of new recruits in th colporteur work, both as regula workers and as student canvass His hands are full, hi courage is strong, and the ou look for our book work this sun mer seems good.

Brother Wilson has begun get acquainted with our peopl having visited several of or churches already in the interes of the home missionary wor

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