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"As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger."

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KNOWLEDGE AND WISDOM.

Knowledge and Wisdom, far from being one, Have oftimes no connection. Knowledge dwells In heads replete with thoughts of other men; Wisdom in minds attentive to their own. Knowledge, a rude unprofitable mass, The mere materials with which Wisdom builds, Till smoothed, and squared, and fitted to its place, Does but encumber what it seems t' enrich. Knowledge is proud that he has learn'd so much; Wisdom is humble that he knows no more.

-Cowper.

"YOUR LABOR IS NOT IN VAIN IN THE LORD."

It will be encouraging to those who have been engaged in the circulation of the petitions against the passage of the Sunday bills now pending in Congress, to know that their labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

Letters are being received almost daily from Congressman to whom petitions and letters have been sent, expressing their gratitude for having their attention called to these bills, for some were not aware of their existence until we had brought the matter to their attention.

We were told by a prominent Congressman the other day that he thought there was little chance of this matter coming up at this session of Congress, for "the Seventh-day folks" were opposing it; I might add that at this point in our interview he did not know that we were "Seventh-day folks." He further said that it was generally understood that there was opposition to the measure. He made reference to the opposition to the measure several times during the interview, indicating that a most decided impression had been made upon the minds of Congressmen by the "Seventh-day folks."

Should these bills fail to pass at this session of Congress, we would certainly feel that our labor had not been in vain in the Lord in putting forth the little effort that we have exerted to stem the tide of Sunday legislation now before Congress.

We are pleased to say that it has been demonstrated that good and effective work can still be done in the circulation of petitions, supplying the Congressmen with literature, writing them, and in personal interviews.

It is possible that some may not distinguish between the one who is engaged as a lobbyist to secure some religious measure enacted into law, and the one who is there to protest and oppose all such legislation, and also bring to their minds the message of truth for these times. The difference between the missions of these two classes is as great as the difference between light and darkness, heaven and earth, or righteousness and sin.

Our labors for Congressmen and other men who occupy places of great responsibility in the world will not be over until every effort has been exhausted to bring them to a knowledge of the Third Angel's Message.

We trust that the idea will not be obtained from this article that there is any certainty that these bills may not be passed before Congress closes, for pressure may be brought to bear upon the law-makers by the promoters of Sunday legislation in the great rush that is always incident just before Congress closes, and it may be especially so this season in view of the approaching inauguration.

K. C. RUSSELL.

TIVERTON, N. S. FEB. 22, 1905.

Another week has passed in our effort here, and I will now report the progress made.

Last Friday evening was very stormy, and Brother Outhouse did not get to the hall until 6.30; when he arrived there, fully forty people were standing outside in the storm, waiting to get in. When I arrived at 6.50 the hall was crowded.

The prevailing church here is the Disciple, or Christian. The minister who preaches here lives at the other end of the island, ten miles away. The large attendance at our meetings stirred the ire of some of the more bigoted members, and, the latter part of last week they succeeded in getting an evangelist here. He opened meetings in the church last Sunday morning, and the pastor of the church is expected here this week to assist him. Already they have begun preaching in regard to the law being nailed to the cross; and, from the present indications, it appears that they are going to pick up the hatchet and open fight. They have, of course, drawn all their own members from our meetings, and some others; but we still have a regular attendance of about fifty.

We are just going on with our work as though they were not here. We realize that a hard battle is ahead of us; but we also know that the battle is not ours, but God's. We are prepared to stand still and see the salvation of God. His spirit is working here; there are some who are deeply interested, and we hope to see them embrace this glorious truth.

We need your prayers now more than ever, and we trust that you will remember us often at the throne of grace. My comfort this morning is in the thought that "Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world."

W. R. ANDREWS.

FROM CLINTON, ONT.

Dear Brethren, -

This winter I have spent the time in C. O. L. work, visiting and giving Bible-readings, and endeavoring to hold meetings in the country. I find the latter very difficult during winter, as storms and snowdrifts break up the regularity of the services.

I have found some very kind people while canvassing for Christ's Object Lessons. Some of them seem hopeful cases to work with. Part of the ground I went over in canvassing for C. O. L. was where Brother Pengelly had been selling the Coming King. Most of the people seemed to be quite pleased with the book.

At another place where I canvassed for C. O. L. Bible Readings had been sold. A great many there inquired as to what denomination I belonged, and seemed much prejudiced against the Bible Readings. With one man I exchanged an Object Lesson for a full morocco Bible Readings. He told me that the book contained a lot of good reading, but the minister had condemned it, and it would be dangerous for him to read it.

A Church of England minister attended one of our meetings, and expressed himself as much interested in the subject presented.

Canvassing for Christ's Object Lessons in the blizzards and snowdrifts makes one appreciate the efforts put forth by the canvasser to spread the printed page. W. H. Spear.

FOREIGN PERIODICALS.

The International Publishing Association, College View, Nebraska, has issued a special edition of the German, Danish, and Swedish papers for general distribution. Each paper contains a reprint of the Open Letter, "An appeal to Clergy" of Washington, D. C., and an excellent article on Spiritualism by Elder R. C. Porter of Missouri. These articles, as well as other important matter contained in these papers, will be of special interest to all who read either of these languages, and we hope the circulation of these special issues will be large, and result in much good.

Any of our people in Canada who read these languages, or have friends of these tongues, will do well to get a supply of these papers.

The price is five papers for ten cents, or \$.50 per hundred papers. Order at once, and supply your friends and neighbors with good, up-to-date, profitable reading matter.

W. H. THURSTON.

OTTAWA.

We are very glad to have a minister located at this important place. The Lord's work in this city, the capital of the Dominion of Canada, is much behind. We ought to have a fund on hand to meet the Lord's Day Alliance work. They are on the ground to get the church and state theories before the people. Shall we sit idle while they are forging chains for our hands and feet. Elder Thurston is there single handed. He has not even reading matter to distribute. At Washington, D. C., the capital of the United States, there are twelve or fourteen ministers located.

• This week's *Review and Herald* brings word that the \$100,000 fund has reached \$58,621.04. We all greatly rejoice that this is so. Washington is to the States the same as Ottawa is to Canada. We ought to be raising a fund to forward the message at this capital. The Lord's hand was in the decision of the Privy Council respecting Sunday Legislation in this Dominion. In the *Toronto Globe* of Sept. 22, 1904, we find the following:—

"Sunday Labor Jurisdiction. Question to be submitted to the Supreme Court." "Ottawa, Sept. 21,-The extent to which a province may go in the direction of prohibiting Sunday labor, and the effect of such legislation upon the various classes of companies, is to be referred to the Supreme Court to determine. This decision was reached at a meeting of the Cabinet this afternoon. Representations have been made to this Government since the decisions of the Privy Council in the Lord's Day case, advocating the enacting of a measure by the Dominion Parliament, and the draft of a bill which the Lord's Day Alliance considered would meet the case, was submitted to the Federal Executive. The Minister of Justice, however, is not at all satisfied that the extent of the right of a province to legislate in the matter of Sabbath Day observance has been determined, and he wishes to see this settled before submitting legislation of the character proposed to Parliament. Accordingly he has recommended, and the Government has approved, of a number of questions to the Supreme Court. Then follows the questions submitted.

If God's providence had not intervened, we would now be so hedged about with Sunday laws that we could be arrested and fined or imprisoned. If we sit idling our opportunities away, we shall find ourselves hedged about with many difficulties in the near future.

Will each church in this Conference, on Sabbath, March II, take up a collection to form a fund, to be used at Ottawa, to meet the Sunday Legislation. Let this money be forwarded to our treasurer, B. B. Noftsger, 151 Hunter St. West, Hamilton, Ont.

A. O. BURRILL.

RECRUITS FOR QUEBEC.

Since my last report to the MESSENGER I have taken about twenty dollars' worth of orders, besides enjoying the privilege of visiting the little companies of our dear people, and attending their Sabbath meetings. By this means I have been enabled to encourage those who give evidence that the Lord has called them to that line of work, to enter the canvassing field. I trust that there may be some, though the number be small, who will heed the call, and enter upon the work with vigor and determination.

I am sorry that any of our young people are thinking of going away to secure an education when we have schools of our own that will afford them equal facilities, and at much less expense. We have an academy located at Lorne Park, Ont., where our young people can receive a training which will qualify them to enter any of the various branches of work in the Third Angel's Message.

We are truly encouraged to find a few promising youth among us, who manifest a determination to make Canada their future field of labor. We were also encouraged to hear the parents of these young people advocating the idea of patronizing our own schools which have been established at so great a sacrifice, and where the youth can be trained, as it were, on their own battle ground.

It seems to me personally, that unless there be some humble, self-sacrificing persons like Paul whom the Lord moves upon to come over and help us, that our best plan is to utilize every available, consecrated young person in our home field, who can understand our wants, and the peculiar circumstances arising from our mixed population and the severity of the climate.

A. M. TAYLOR.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

Feb. 27:— The Supreme Court handed down its judgment to-day in the Sunday observance reference, confirming the decision of the judicial committee of the Privy Council that the province has no power to enact laws for the regulation of Sunday labor; but this judgment of the Supreme Court has no bearing upon the Dominion's right in the matter.

"It is expected," says an Ottawa paper, "That in view of the above judgment, the Lord's Day Alliance will renew its application to the Dominion Parliament for a bill embodying its suggestions as to the limitation of Sabbath work."

In all probability an effort will be made during this session of Parliament to establish by law the first day of the week as the Sabbath.

Our petitions for the maintenance of religious freedom are ready, and some are in the field. Each province should provide itself with these petitions, and have everybody who feels thus minded sign them and send them in as soon as possible. Do this work Now, and return the petitions to your conference office by the middle of March if possible.

If the churches will all do their work *now*, the officers of the conferences will try to perform faithfully the part of this movement falling to them.

Let all work, watch, and pray, that religious freedom may be maintained, until such time as the Lord may see fit for the decree to go forth.

W. H. THURSTON.

If thou art the lily and the rose of Christ, know that thy dwelling-place is among thorns. Only take care lest, by thy impatience, by thy rash judgments, and by secret pride, thou dost thyself become a thorn.

-Luther.

When thou prayest, let thy words be few, but thy thoughts and affections many, and above all, let them be profound. The less thou speakest, the better thou prayest. Few words and many thoughts is christian; many words and few thoughts is heathenish. -Luther.

> "Labor with what zeal we will, Something remains undone; Something uncompleted still Waits the rising of the sun."

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GRANOSE FLAKES.

THE BATTLE CREEK HEALTH FOOD Co., of London, have a few cases of Granose Flakes on hand which they will sell to Adventists only, at the extremely low figure of \$1.25 per case, the purchaser paying his own freight.

Some who knew of the offer have already ordered. After securing one case, Sister S. Baker, Lindsay, sent an order for six cases more at the same price.

As this is less than half the wholesale price, any of our brethren and sisters who wish to take advantage of the offer should send in their order at once to J. J. ROBINSON, Mgr.,

B. C. Health Food Co., London, Ont.

We trust that all our people will take hold of the petition work, and push it with vigor and determination.

A new tract has recently been published at this office, entitled, "An Appeal to the Christian People of Canada." This tract should be scattered broadcast. Every argument put forth by the advocates of Sunday Legislation is plainly refuted. Price, 75 cts. per hundred. Get it! Read it! Scatter it!

MARITIME NOTES.

There is to be a meeting of the Maritime Conference Committee about the first of April, at which time the work of the summer will be arranged.

We shall be glad to hear from any who anticipate attending the school at Farmington the coming year. We trust that no one will neglect this opportunity to prepare for usefulness. Any who desire work done in their district or neighborhood should send in their request at once, to Elder Wm. Guthrie, Williamsdale, Cumberland Co., N. S. Tell all you can about the demand for work, the interest, and the prospect for attendance. Also tell what denomination prevails.

The Sunday Observance reference was called in the Supreme court Tuesday Feb. 21st, and the case was discussed on its merits. The three gentlemen present to speak in favor of the bill finished their arguments the second day in the afternoon and the judges felt so clear in the matter, stating that they regarded it religious legislation under disguise, that they did not hear the other side, but adjourned until the following Monday, reserving judgment until that time. W. H. T.

The work in Ottawa's Hygenic Institute was too heavy for Mrs. Boettger, and as a result Dr. Boettger had to give up his course of study at Burlington, Vt., this year, and return to Ottawa to his regular work. He hopes to make other arrangements in the spring, and then go to Montreal and finish his medical course.

The work is going on well in Ottawa, and the patronage seems to be increasing. The Lord is blessing the work, and to him be all the praise, the honor, and the glory.

w. н. т.

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| Ottawa | \$ 1. | \$ | \$ |
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| INDIVIDUALS | 9.35 | | |
| Toronto | 26.98 | | |
| LORNE PARK | | | 5.03 |
| LONDON | | | 2. |
| LINDSAY | 7.66 | | |
| HAMILTON | 14.71 | 1.95 | |
| Albuna | 14.62 | . 15 | Ι. |
| OIL SPRINGS | 3. | | Ι. |
| Снатнам | 10.95 | 1.04 | |
| Kenvengeh | 5. | | |
| Sr. Thomas | 55.15 | | 2.40 |
| | \$217.73 | \$5.52 | \$13.98 |

Contingency Fund, Ottawa \$1. School Fund, Mrs. A. Speedie \$2. Washington Fund, Oil Springs \$1. HAMILTON \$2. Southern Field, Lindsay \$2.14.