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A Song in the Tempest

I dreamed I was lost on a mountain
In a tempest fierce and wild,
And I cried in my bitter anguish,
"Hath the Father forgot his child,
O, why am I left to wander
Alone in the pitiless storm,
While others bask in the sunshine
So beautiful, bright, and warm?"

Then I heard sweet voices singing
Afar on the mountain's brow,
And the echo of that music
Is with me even now,
"Though some must walk in the shadow
While others dwell in the light,
Yet the Father leadeth his children,
And sunrise follows the night."

I looked toward the mountain's summit,
Lo! the first faint gleaming dawn,
Still veiled in the mist the hillside,
But the blackness of night was gone.
The furious storm subsided,
The light o'er my pathway shone,
And I knew that a loving Father
Was guiding me to my home.

But the day seemed long in coming,
'Twas a perilous road and drear.
Then oft when my courage faltered
Rose the echo sweet and clear,
"Though some must walk in the shadow
While others dwell in the light,
Yet the Father leadeth his children,
And sunrise follows the night."

And I scorned my dismal fancies
And steadily pressed along,
Cheering my weary footsteps
With the memory of that song.
Soon I reached my Father's threshold,—
Lo! The radiance o'er me shone;
Kind hands stretched forth in welcome,
There were light and joy at home.

'Twas a dream. I awoke and the sunrise
Illumined both field and glen;
Still lingered the low, sweet echo,
It floats to me oft as then,
"Though some must walk in the shadow
While others dwell in the light,
Yet the Father leadeth his children,
And sunrise follows the night."—Sel.

Maritime

President, M. M. Hare, Amherst, N. S.
Sec. Treas., Lulu Van Buskirk, Amherst, N. S.

Among the Churches

It was my privilege recently to make a trip among some of the Nova Scotian churches. Doubtless a report of same will be of interest to our people in the Maritime conference.

The first church visited was that at Sydney Mines. For some time Brother and Sister Wassel have been working alone in this place, Elder Barrett having moved to Halifax. The writer enjoyed very much, indeed, the privilege of spending the week-end with our people there. They are all of good courage and prospects are fair that there will be a material increase in the membership of this church shortly. In North Sydney an encouraging interest is developing. In fact it has seemed wise that Brother Wassell should move there from Sydney Mines that he might give closer attention to the interest. During my stay with this church I held six meetings—four in Sydney Mines and one each in Florence and North Sydney.

I reached Indian Harbor Monday night and met with the church a number of times during the week. The evening meetings were well attended. In fact there seems to be an interest in this place that should be followed up with a series of meetings. During the days, while there, Bible studies were held in the church, which our people attended faithfully. The members of this church are of good courage. Recently two from their neighborhood have united with the church and others are beginning to observe the Sabbath. This is but an object lesson of what should be accomplished through the influence of every S. D. A. church. Our knowledge of the truth should bring blessings into other lives. None can selfishly keep the knowledge of this Message to himself and accomplish the purpose of God. The light must be shed abroad.

The following Sabbath I joined Elder Barrett who had gone to Tantallon earlier in the week. We held services in the forenoon and afternoon with this church. Elder Barrett had also held evening meetings the two

previous days. While we could not spend as much time in Tantallon as we would like to have done on account of an appointment for the following evening in Halifax, yet the privilege of being there but a short season was enjoyed and we believe the meetings were of help and blessing to our people.

Sunday evening I spoke in the Halifax church. There was a good attendance of many not of the faith. Prospects indicate that now is the time to labor in Halifax. Elder Barrett's efforts are meeting with a response from many of the people. Minds are being exercised relative to the meaning of present-day events and an interest is developing in the presentation of the message.

Let all remember the work in this city, and also in St. John, as well as in the other places referred to in the foregoing. The work is onward. May we each faithfully do our part in sustaining these efforts and by and by the rejoicing of the laborers will also be ours when the work is done and the sheaves are garnered. M. M. HARE.

Committee Meeting Notes

In connection with the recent meetings of the Eastern Canadian Union Conference Committee at Oshawa, the Maritime Conference Committee, who were present, considered some items of business connected with the work in this field.

SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY

On account of the writer accepting the call of the Union Committee to connect with the work in Oshawa, it was necessary to select someone to care for the Sabbath School work that Mrs. Hare has been carrying. Mrs. G. H. Skinner of St. John was appointed the Conference S. S. Secretary. We would invite the officers of the Sabbath Schools throughout our conference to make a note of this change and deal with Sister Skinner in such matters pertaining to the Sabbath School work as come under the hand of the conference S. S. Secretary. Let it be noted, however, that all Sabbath School funds should be sent through the church treasurer at the close of each month to the conference treasurer.

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER SECRETARY

Professor L. O. Machlan has been asked to care for the Young People's work. During the past two years the young people of the Maritime conference have taken a commendable interest in the work of this department. Last year a number of Reading Course Certificates were issued and prospects indicate that more will be issued this year. A number are qualifying for the Standard of Attainment examinations. Professor Machlan will appreciate hearing from all these and will gladly co-operate in assisting all to attain to their goals.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

After a careful study of the field and its needs it was recommended that the next annual conference be held in Halifax, June 6 to 13. This brings this meeting within

easy reach of our Nova Scotian brethren and we trust as far as possible all will be present. The time appointed is short and those who attend should plan to be at every meeting, from the first to the last. This is none too early to plan to attend. Plan early and come. Further reference will be made to this meeting as details are arranged.

AMHERST INTEREST

To care for the interest already awakened in Amherst it was decided to ask Miss Manuella Verge to continue in Bible work here until a tent meeting can be arranged, probably at the close of the conference in Halifax.

M. M. HARE.

Ontario

President, M. C. Kirkendall, Oshawa
 Sec-Treas., M. M. Hare, Oshawa
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From the Field

For two months before this war commenced it was very hard for me to get orders for our books. I could not get the people interested in the book "Coming King." Since the war broke out, I am getting along fairly well. I have changed my canvass considerably on the book, showing that the author knew what he was talking about when he foretold, eighteen years ago, that this war was coming, giving his reasons from a Bible standpoint why all those disasters, by land and sea, are coming faster and are more destructive, showing that this old world is like a drunken man ready to fall. The book appeals more to the people since the war commenced. The faster the trouble comes the more it will appeal to them. Now is the time to sell our books. I am not doing better than I ever have, nor as well, but I am doing well considering the hard times. My chief delight where I stay over night and Sundays is giving the people some of this blessed truth that we hold so dear. I find a great many that are hungry for the truth. Several of them have said they were glad I stayed, that my Bible talks have been interesting to them. They ask why their ministers do not explain the Bible so that they can understand it. I called on a family by the name of Merchant and had dinner with them. They belong to the Baptist church. I sold them two books. Mrs. Merchant asked me if I understood the millennium, saying she would like to hear it explained. I told her I would explain it if she and Mr. Merchant would listen about twenty minutes. They readily consented to this, and when I had gone over it with them, they concluded it was the best they had ever heard. I made arrangements to go back and stay over Sunday with them. I did so last week. On Sunday morning Mrs. Merchant said, "We will not go to church to-day; we will get you to explain some Bible subjects." I gave them a talk on the State of the Dead. They listened so well that I thought that was the place to give the

Sabbath question. I talked about one hour on this subject in the afternoon and about an hour in the evening. They took it very favorably and promised to study the subject. Will not the readers of the MESSENGER pray earnestly for Mr. and Mrs. Merchant that they may step out and keep God's commandments? I am longing to see more fruit for my labor.

JOHN PENGELLY.

Peterboro

Although not having written for your columns very recently we hope you will think we are yet alive. The interest is just as keen as ever, and the attendance has been excellent. We have had but very little reverses in the way of accessions to the truth. A couple of the original Sabbath keepers (that is those who accepted at the tent)

have fallen off while others have come in to take their places. This is always the case in tent efforts, but we are glad to say that this sifting process has selected for us a splendid company of good, conscientious Sabbath keepers, and we hope to organize a church very soon of over twenty members. Already we have our request for organization written out and partly signed, and the remainder have not yet been called upon. We hope, however, to be ready about the first part of April, and as soon as the weather is sufficiently favorable we will have our baptism in the Otonabee River.

Thus you see that the Lord has greatly blessed us. We have had much opposition, but no defeat. There is no defeat to the third angel's message. It is destined to go because the power of God is behind it. The Lord is

Ontario Report of Tithes and Offerings for the Month of February, 1915

Churches	Title	Miss.	Sab. S.	H. I. Fd.	Misc.	Total
Albana	\$ 25 06	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 25 06
Attercliffe	15 00		4 77	1 00	1 23	22 00
Belleville	10 00					10 00
Brantford	58 08	25	14 43			72 76
Buena Vista	49 87	4 20	23 75			77 82
Central Toronto	46 35	50	7 43		17 04	71 32
Chatham	26 08					26 08
East Toronto	15 00		8 96			23 96
Galt	2 00	3 00				5 00
Hamilton	138 25	8 95	13 55			160 75
Individuals	25 00	27 40	10 00			62 40
Iroquois	2 75					2 75
Kingston	20 41		2 96			23 37
Lindsay	8 15	3	3 28			14 43
London	142 44	6 30	8 17		100 00	256 91
Napanee	1 00					1 00
N. Falls	5 57		1 65			7 22
Oshawa	20 75	1 22	2 30			24 27
Ottawa	7 80		5 04			12 84
Peterboro	10 30				14 00	24 30
Petrolia	8 05					8 05
Selton	14 25					14 25
St. Catharines	3 90					3 90
Toronto	38 60	5 00	16 11	1 10		60 81
Totals	\$694 66	\$59 82	\$122 40	\$2 10	\$132 27	\$1,011 25

Quebec Conference Report for January, 1915.

Churches	Tithe	Que. Work	Annual	H. I.	Missions	Sab. School	Total
Namur	\$ 6 70	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 6 70
Sherbrooke	36 52		1 51				38 03
Individuals	50 00						50 00
Fitch Bay	20 10			1 00		2 04	23 14
S. Stukely	92			1 00	70	5 93	8 55
Montreal English	44 65				1 30	6 08	52 03
Montreal French	29 10				15 00	12 82	56 92
Totals	\$187 99		\$ 1 51	\$2 00	\$17 00	\$26 87	\$235 37

F. E. DUFTY Sec-Treas.

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending March 13, 1915

Ontario

Name	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
John Pengelly	C. K.	50	23	\$33 25	\$8 95	\$42 20	

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gathering out his honest ones from Babylon the great and her daughters, and soon the blessed truth will cover the earth. We are truly approaching that day.

At present we are meeting with opposition from the Russelites, who are circulating an old letter they wrote years ago against the Adventists. The writer reviewed this letter last night, March 16. We hope that your readers will pray for us here that the truth may triumph further, and that other dear souls may accept.

F. W. JOHNSTON.

Buena Vista Current

Time passes swiftly these closing weeks of the school year. The Union Committee meetings to which all the students looked forward so eagerly, have come and gone, but the pleasure which we hoped for were more than fully realized during that week. The descriptions of the work and the needs of the various conferences and mission field of our Union, given by men who could speak with the authority of personal contact with them, were instructive. The stirring appeals for workers to labor in our great Canadian home field found an answer in many hearts, and brought renewed consecration to the service of our Master.

The following were among the visitors who attended the Sabbath School Convention held March 6-7: Brother and Sister Hill, Sister Sandborn and Brother Hurd, of St. Thomas; Sister J. J. Robinson and Brother T. H. Robinson of London; Sister Martin and Brethren Simpson and Myers of Brantford; Sister Baker, Miss Turner and Brother Davies of Toronto; Miss Nisbett and Miss Garnett of Lindsay.

The school family regrets the loss of three of its members from Quebec: Kenneth Diamond, Ina McElroy and Sydney McElroy, having been called to their homes.

A recital given by the pupils of the Music Department in charge of Miss Annie Tenny proved a splendid success, and a pleasing diversion to the visitors and members of the Committee after the duties of convention work.

One day last week two of our young men canvassed a nearby town for "World's Crisis." They found many interested ones although their sales were not exceptional.

Canvassers' Institute

Arrangements have been made to hold a canvassers' institute at Hamilton, Ontario, April 19-26, for the benefit of those desiring to take up the sale of our books and magazines this summer. All who are interested should write to the undersigned for further information. We hope to have a good attendance at this institute and arrangements are being made for competent help in the work of instruction.

JOSEPH CAPMAN.

Price of "World's Crisis"

We appreciate having received a goodly number of orders for the "World's Crisis" during the past week. It is a timely work and should be placed in the hands of as many as possible. Agents report a very ready sale for it.

We would refer again to the prices charged since there is evidently some misunderstanding in regard to these:—

Single copies; twenty-five cents each, postpaid.

Two to nine copies; twenty-five cents less forty per cent. *postage extra.*

Ten or more copies; twenty-five cents less fifty per cent. *postage extra.*

Recently a number of orders have reached us for ten copies accompanied with remittance of \$1.25 only. Since this reduced rate on ten copies calls for the purchaser to pay postage we have simply sent forward \$1.25 worth of books after deducting postage.

Future orders should be accompanied with postage as follows: On two books or more to Quebec or Maritime destination, an extra allowance of four cents a copy postage. To Ontario destinations, three cents a copy extra.

Canadian Publishing Association.

Obituaries

HADCOCK—Died at St. Thomas, Ontario, March 14 1915, Mrs. Louise Empey Hadcock, aged 65 years. The deceased has been in feeble health for some time, and a severe attack of la grippe brought her life to a close. She fell asleep peacefully, and her trust was in the Lifegiver who will soon come to awaken his sleeping saints. She was born in Colloden, Ontario, and most of her life was spent in this province. She was married in 1876 to George Hadcock, and four children blessed their union. Three of the children, Roy, Frank and Mable survive, one daughter dying in childhood. The family embraced present truth in 1898 under the labors of Elders Simpson and Ballenger. Sister Hadcock was thoroughly devoted to the message, allowing no earthly consideration to interfere with the discharge of religious duty. Her example was inspiring, and many a tempted soul has her to thank for the encouragement that enabled them to renew their strength and confidence in God. We feel that a true mother in Israel has passed from us, but though dead, her life still speaks, and her example is an inspiration to those who still battle for victory. Interment was made at St. Thomas. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Numbers 23: 10.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

EVENS.—Isabell Currie, wife of William J. Evens died at Cl. Elum, Washington, Feb. 16, 1915, aged 24 years, 5 months, and 3 days. She attended school at Lornedale and had many friends in Ontario who join in extending their heartfelt sympathy to her sorrowing husband and relatives. She died rejoicing in the hope of a soon-coming Saviour. Words of comfort were spoken by Elder Kime.

MRS. H. L. KNISTER.

23,356 copies of "World's Crisis" had been sold by the *Review and Herald* office March 15, 1915. Where will it end?

Remember the Thirteenth Sabbath Offering March 27.