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The Harvest Ingathering

The following experiences from last year's work show that it is quite possible to collect the entire \$100,000 if only enough church members would work.

One very busy housekeeper with a large family collected \$14.55 at odd times. Another took twenty-five papers and brought back \$2.50. One sister who was very unwilling to respond to the call to solicit money for foreign missions, finally went out, and brought in \$9.40, and a face glowing with happiness.

Two sisters drove around among their neighbors and realized \$11.75. A Sabbath keeper for one year collected over \$6.00 from nearby neighbors. One church elder worked part of two days and brought in \$7.95 for sixteen papers. A sister who at first had not intended to go out changed her mind, and the result was nearly \$7.

One man while waiting for a train secured \$5.85. A sister used one hundred papers and brought in \$31. One successful solicitor obtained \$19.50 for four papers. A sister who prayed earnestly for her work got \$50.00 as a result. A brother who could only work Sundays received \$22. One man and wife brought in \$18 and another \$12. One member brought a sister into the truth through his harvest ingathering work in 1913, and in 1914 she collected \$12.

Another man and wife collected \$100. A sister whose nearest neighbor lived two miles away sent in \$3.85. Two nurses received \$11.45 from their efforts. A brother obtained \$5.60 for his first 50 papers. A faithful old sister sent in \$50 and started in to get more. A farmer's busy wife collected \$12 for six papers.

Two sisters disposed of twenty papers and received \$5. Another two used forty-five papers and got \$4. A sister took twelve papers and brought back \$8. One worker who thought his effort rather a failure secured \$2.50 for four papers. A brother new in the truth took fifty papers and soon returned with \$25.

One sister was able to put in only two days on account of sickness in the family, but she obtained \$6.50 for fifteen papers. One worker said it took hard work to get results, but his results were \$50 for two hundred papers, so he a long way more than reached his average.

A sister who had many varied experiences finished up with \$8.20. Another gathered \$15 for seventeen papers. One brother obtained \$4 from a Catholic friend. Three faithful members in one church sent in \$170.

These are not picked experiences, but are taken from a list just as they have come in. Scores of others could be added to them, but enough have been given to show that when the members go out in faith, praying for their work, the Lord goes with them and gives them success.

Let us all work unitedly this year for a completed work.

E. M. GRAHAM.

Union Conference

Notes

Brother S. E. McNeill of Washington, D. C., representing the North American Division treasury department, is with us for a few days auditing the books of the Eastern Canadian Union Conference and the Canadian Publishing Association.

A meeting of the Ontario Conference Committee was held at London, Thursday, September 30. A large amount of business was transacted, reports of which will likely appear from the pen of Elder Hare shortly.

The editor of the MESSENGER is desirous of making the paper as nearly what it should be as possible and would welcome any suggestions and friendly criticisms that patrons feel free to send in. Just send us fifty cents or a dollar on subscription, which is probably due by this time, and write some interesting notes from your church to go with it.

Elder A. V. Olson paid the office a pleasant visit Sunday on his way to attend the autumn council of the General Conference Committee at Loma Linda, California. We were greatly pleased to see his cheery face "in our midst" again. And his encouraging reports of affairs in Quebec were an inspiration to us.

A new cylinder press has been installed in the Canadian Publishing Association office at Oshawa. Over \$150 of the amount required to secure this press was solicited by Sister Virginia Gobeille of Montreal, Quebec. We hope to use this press in printing good French literature for this field as well as for English work. We greatly appreciate Sister Gobeille's efforts in this direction.

Ontario Conference

Harvest Ingathering

The Ingathering *Signs* was shown to a friend. The object of the paper was explained, and a request made for a donation for missionary work. He said, "How much do you want?" I said, "A dollar will do nicely." He smilingly passed me the bill.

The next man I presented the paper to was a business man. He said, "I am just bothered to death; I never had so many calls in my life. I just can't do any more. I must draw the line somewhere." I agreed with him that the calls are many, and told him I too was on a stretch, but that I was thankful I was blessed with means so that I could give a little here and there, and especially to a worthy cause. I said, "I am not asking you for a large donation. I would be satisfied with a small gift." He gave me a quarter.

Then I went to a private house and rang the bell. A lady came to the door, and I said something like this, "Good evening, (it was about eight o'clock) I am soliciting funds for missionary work. I have here a missionary paper full of short articles from real life among the natives of non-Catholic and non-Protestant countries. I am not selling it, but simply asking for donations to help this work along. There is no price on it. Anything you feel free to give will be thankfully received. I would like you to have a part in this noble work." She said, "I am a Catholic, but am not prejudiced against Protestants. I believe there is room for us both to do a good work. I am sorry I have not change, but if you come Monday I will give you an offering." I thanked her, took her number, and promised to call.

At the next house a man came to the door. I explained the object of my visit, and learned that

he was not favorable to foreign missions. He said the missionaries make the heathen far worse than they are before they go among them. I agreed with him that some of the missionaries are only educated men, who never had a change of heart, but that some are real consecrated men and women and are truly servants of God, also that I believed some of these heathen people would be in heaven as a result of their earnest efforts. I spoke to him about his condition, and gave him a tract on the coming of the Lord and one on the Sabbath. He said, "Wait a minute." He went into the house and came out with an offering. I invited him to attend our meetings. He said he would.

As we visit from home to home we meet these pleasant experiences and see the Lord's hand in his work, and his promises fulfilled. The wealth of the Gentiles is flowing into his treasury to finish this last message.

Brother Hubert and went out in the evenings because he works ten hours in a factory during the day. One man said to him, "What is the matter with you, are you ashamed of your religion that you have to come around in the night?" He answered, "No sir, but I work during the day in a factory, and this is the only time I have to do missionary work." He invited him in and after a pleasant conversation about his faith gave him fifty cents.

Brethren, there is no reason why we cannot engage in this work. We have all the time there is. If we work faithfully we can raise our portion of the necessary funds needed to finance this great missionary enterprise—the third angel's message to all the world in this generation. Then our Saviour will come in the clouds to make up his jewels. Paul asks the question, "What is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing at his coming?" Read the answer found in 1 Thess. 2:19, 20.

While we are raising funds to help carry the message to other parts of the world, we are giving it at home. The harvest ingathering number of the *Signs* is full of the message. Let us be faithful and earnestly do our part. JOSEPH CAPMAN.

Buena Vista Current

Last Sabbath afternoon, Professor Miller baptized Miss Minnie Abray, Miss Miriam Johnson, Mr. George Rickard and Mr. Morley Bresett. These young people are desirous of becoming workers in the cause of God. Let us remember them in our prayers. Others will be baptized in the near future.

Mr. Hubert Martin is our latest arrival, bringing our enrollment up to 46 students.

Again we extend an earnest invitation to our friends to contribute books to our library.

Elder Campbell occupied the hour of service at the Academy, Sabbath. His subject, Baptism, made clear the duty and privileges of being baptized.

Professor Miller and family are occupying the first floor of the north farm house. The Professor thinks we have a fine class of young people, and it is his desire to help fit them to do all that God would have them do.

Miss Tenny, the music director, is arranging a band. We trust that our music teacher will develop all the musical talent of the students, so that we may have excellent vocal and instrumental music by which to glorify God.

Quebec Conference

Around Montreal

The summer just past gave me an opportunity to pay a yearly visit to some isolated French members of the conference. After campmeeting, I visited the South Ely company, including Brother Isaac Malboeuf at Lawrenceville, his brother Joseph at South Ely, and Brother Boisvert at Racine. On the Sabbath we partook of the Lord's supper at the quiet farm of Brother J. Malboeuf, and had a meeting at Brother Boisvert's home on Sunday. The weather being fair, the meeting was held in the open air. It was attended by half a dozen or more people not of our faith, most of them relatives of Brother Boisvert, who paid excellent attention to the words spoken. Most of my hearers are acquainted with the message, and I hope and pray that they may embrace it and be ready when the Lord comes.

A ride of ten miles or more on Brother Boisvert's team brought us to South Roxton, where Brother Dudevoir and wife keep their light shining.

I had an invitation to speak in the Methodist Church, whose pastor introduced me as a "chum" of his, and who followed my sermon with excellent remarks on the cause of the war; namely, sin. This pastor had just seen his son off to the front.

Four miles from South Roxton is Roxton Pond, a fine little town, where Sister Dudevoir's father lives. This man, eighty years old, is one of the oldest French Protestants in the Province, and is well acquainted with the history of the French missions. He asked me to examine with him a tract written in favor of Sunday observance, and we had, in the presence of his family, three Bible readings lasting from three to five hours each.

I returned to the same place three weeks later to hold more Bible studies, taking occasion to do

some canvassing through the village among the Catholics and Protestants, and taking several subscriptions for "La Sentinelle." The French Baptist pastor here, Mr. Dutand, invited me to speak to his people one evening. He is a cousin to Brother A. J. Bourdeau, who was recently killed by lightning.

My next trip was to Namur, accompanied by Brother Fontier of Montreal. We took occasion to stop along the way to scatter "La Sentinelle." In Lachute and Brownsburgh, we entered about one hundred and fifty homes, meeting with friendly people, among them a French Protestant family from Paris, France, possibly the only French Protestant family in the place. Some poor people were very thankful to receive the paper. One good woman asked Brother Fontier if she could have the priest bless the paper.

The next stop was at Grenville. Here, too, we found people eager to receive the news that the coming of the Lord is near. Several French Catholic women told us they believed that the end of all things is at hand.

At Montebello, we sold a paper in nearly every house. In one store, I sold five to the same person.

Let me ask my English brethren if this does not look as if the harvest is ripe, and the grain falling on the ground for lack of reapers. And let me remind you that this province is seventy per cent French. There are in the Quebec Province 321 towns of over 1,000 people; 54 have between 2,000 and 5,000; 12 have between 5,000 and 10,000; 9 have above 10,000, like Three Rivers, 14,000; Sherbrooke 17,000; Quebec, 80,000, and Montreal and suburbs, four or five cities in one, 600,000 people, of which perhaps 400,000 are French.

Let us pray that the request to the North American Division conference voted at the South Stukely campmeeting may be granted and that we may soon have money to assist the colporteurs who shall go from place to place. Elder Olson is on the eve of his departure for California to attend the special meeting of the North American Division Committee where he will lay our request before them. May he return safely with not only his dear family, but with encouraging news for our field.

JEAN-VUILLEUMIER.

"THE word "discouragement" is not found in the dictionary of the kingdom of heaven. Never let yourself use the word if you have God's work to do."

"It is those who perform faithfully their appointed work day by day, who in God's own time will hear his call, 'Come up higher.'"

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ONTARIO

Amount at 20 cents\$3818 43
Amount received2170 97
Shortage to date.....\$1647 46

MARITIME

Amount at 20 cents\$1614 69
Amount received.....1115 67
Shortage to date.....\$499 02

QUEBEC

Amount at 20 cents\$1074 15
Amount received850 12
Shortage to date\$224 03

NEWFOUNDLAND

Amount at 20 cents\$422 73
Amount received196 50
Shortage to date\$226 23

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Obituary

"BLESSED ARE THE DEAD"

BEDOISEAU—On Friday, September 24, members of the Montreal French church accompanied the remains of Sister Eugenie Bedoiseau (formerly Mrs. Rey) to her last resting place. Sister Bedoiseau died from cancer, being ill about two years. She was born in France and accepted the truth in 1897 under the labors of Elder D. T. Bourdeau, remaining a Seventh-day Adventist to her death, which occurred on her sixty-eighth birthday. Funeral service was held at the chapel and a few remarks were made at the grave by the undersigned, while Miss Cabrit, adjutant of the French Salvation Army, offered prayer. We have reasons to believe that our sister will awake at the first resurrection.

JEAN VUILLEUMIER.

Notice

G. H. Skinner, G. Graham, J. C. Porter, James Hannah, and Bert Farris are the newly elected members of the New Brunswick Legal Association of Seventh-day Adventist. The annual meeting of this board will be held in St. John, N. B. on October 9, 1915, at 7:30 p. m. All members are requested to be present.

GEO. H. SKINNER, Chairman.

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Sept. 25, 1915

Ontario

Name	Book	Hours	Value	Total	Del.
*J Pengelly	CK	85	\$30 25	\$74 50	
J Heaver	GC		13 00	16 00	\$ 16 00
Geo Butler	GC				350 00
*P Van Ness	WC	41	44 00	44 00	38 25
*L Chamberlain	PG	59	70 00	75 75	9 00
*C D Terwillegar	GC		9 00	16 50	
Miss C A Wallis	Mag	11	10 30	10 30	10 30
Total		196	\$170 55	\$237 05	\$123 55

*Two weeks

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

Churches	Tithe	Misc.	Misc.	Total
Albana	.....	.....	.....	.....
Arthur	.....	.....	.....	.....
Attercliffe	\$20 00	\$ 7 00	.....	\$27 00
Belleville	20 00	.....	.....	20 00
Bouck's Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brantford	.....	.....	.....	.....
Buena Vista	44 53	5 75	.....	50 63
Central Tor.	22 58	12 67	.....	35 25
Chatham	52 61	15 07	.....	67 68
Dresden	21 00	.....	.....	21 00
East Tor.	19 70	6 65	.....	17 35
Galt	2 50	.....	.....	2 50
Hamilton	125 55	20 52	.....	152 07
Individuals	76 13	9 75	\$ 5 00	90 83
Iroquois	8 82	1 53	.....	10 35
Kingston	16 55	1 15	.....	17 70
Kenyengali	25 02	.....	.....	25 02
London	32 43	20 62	5 00	58 05
Lindsay	15 35	.....	.....	15 35
Lynden	3 60	5 55	.....	9 15
Muskoka	.....	.....	.....	.....
Napanee	19 50	94	.....	11 44
Niagara Falls	.....	.....	.....	.....
Ottawa	4 43	.....	.....	4 43
Oshawa	36 16	19 44	.....	55 60
Paris	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peterboro	11 89	1 51	.....	13 40
Petrolia	23 85	.....	.....	23 85
St. Catharines	19 33	.....	.....	10 33
St. Thomas	.....	.....	.....	.....
Selton	.....	2 65	.....	2 65
West Toronto	68 35	6 15	.....	84 52
	\$663 27	\$152 96	\$10 00	\$826 23

"A consecrated life is a daily sermon."