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## Each Bring One

In the effort to build up a strong work in the Eastern Canadian Union we are depending on each Sabbath-keeper to help by personal effort. The evangelists, Bible workers, colporteurs, teachers, nurses, church officers, the aged and the youth are all to labor together for the one end. "They helped every-one his neighbor; and every one said to his brother, Be of good courage. So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheneth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the soldering: and he fastened it with nails, that it should not be moved." Isa. 41: 6,7.

The following story taken from "The Printing-Press and the Gospel" illustrates what can be accomplished if each member of the Lord's army will do his full duty:—

"It seemed that, face to face with Vicksburg, the Eleventh Indiana was badly cut up, and they sent home for reserves. They came, but they did not know anything about fighting. They had never been in a battle, and they were to enter a hard one at the very first. Among them was a gaunt, tall Hoosier who rejoiced in the euphonious name of Peter Apples. Now, Peter had never fought. All that he knew about soldiering was that a soldier was supposed to do as he was told. So when his commander said, 'Forward march, double-quick,' why Peter double-quickened. There was nothing else to do. He was long and lank, and away he went. The rest kept pace with him for a while, but the fire of the enemy was so hot that they began to shiver and tremble, and fell back. But Peter was going so fast, like another Peter, that he could not stop. He went on, and finally ran up the low earthworks of the enemy. A gunner was ramming home a charge, and Peter brought him a clip on the head and took him by the nape of the neck, turned him around and started with him toward camp. When he turned away

the enemy did not dare to shoot, for fear they would kill their own man. So Peter kept on running. When he came panting into camp, the soldiers rallied around him, and they said, 'Peter, where did you get him?' 'Get him!' said Peter; 'I got him up there! There's lots of them up there. Every man of you could have one if you had only gone after him.'"

While the conference laborers are busy out in the field this summer may we not count on each church member doing something to help bring one to the truth? If each one would set his heart on bringing a soul to the Lord this year, and labor and pray to that end, the Lord of the harvest would surely reward the effort with fruit. Dear brethren and sisters, do you not long for the joy that results from bringing a soul to Christ? Then take hold and put forth patient painstaking effort in behalf of some family or individual and that joy will be yours.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

## QUEBEC

### An Interesting Item

Thinking it would be as interesting to the readers of the MESSENGER as it was to me, I have decided to write concerning a recent business meeting held at South Stukely.

The local church elder, Brother John H. Hammond, tendered his resignation as elder, which office he has held for forty-one years—ever since the organization of the church by Elder Bordeau in 1875. Brother Hammond felt that his advanced age did not allow him to give the duties of that office their proper attention. All the members felt that the long and faithful service rendered them by this aged brother should receive some token of appreciation by them, so he was elected unanimously to fill the office of honorary elder and Brother Fred McElroy was elected

active elder to carry on the work of the church and care for its spiritual growth and development.

Brother Hammond's late companion, Sister Betty Hammond, was the first treasurer of this church, and she held that office until her last sickness in 1911, during which time she turned the books over to her successor in office.

It was interesting to note the different items on the treasurer's report of tithes received, where both fruit and vegetables were brought in and valuation given and entered on what was then known as the Systematic Benevolent Fund. WM. C. YOUNG.

### South Stukely

The members of the South Stukely Church residing at South Stukely, West Bolton, Knowlton, Waterloo and Frost Village enjoyed a visit from our new president, Elder Wm. C. Young, during the week from April 8-10.

Sabbath, April 8, found nearly every one present at Sabbath school in spite of the very bad roads, and all felt repaid for the effort as they listened to the words of truth.

Sunday the ordinances were celebrated after a short but impressive discourse, and as the roll was called and each member responded, the Spirit of God came in and all felt strengthened and determined to consecrate themselves anew to the service of the Lord.

Elder Young was chosen as pastor to replace Elder Olson; Brother F. W. McElroy local elder in place of Brother J. H. Hammond, who resigned after faithfully performing the duties of that office for forty-one years. Surely the Lord will reward one who has so faithfully served him. Sister Grace Needham was elected secretary and treasurer in place of Sister Brown whose frail health interfered with her work.

GRACE KNOWLTON.

## ONTARIO

### Campmeeting

As the time for our annual campmeeting is approaching, I trust all our people will read and ponder well the following paragraphs from the Testimonies:—

"It is important that the members of our churches should attend our campmeetings. The enemies of truth are many; and because our numbers are few, we should present as strong a front as possible. Individually you need the benefits of the meeting, and God calls upon you to number one in the ranks of truth.

"Some will say, 'It is expensive to travel, and it would be better for us to save the money, and give it for the advancement of the work where it is so much

needed.' Do not reason in this way; God calls upon you to take your place among the rank and file of his people. Strengthen the meeting all you possibly can by being present with your families. Put forth extra-exertion to attend the gatherings of God's people.

"Brethren and Sisters, it would be far better for you to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity of hearing the message God has for you.

"Anciently the Lord instructed His people to assemble three times a year for his worship. To these holy convocations the children of Israel came, bringing to the house of God their tithes, their sin-offerings, and their offerings of gratitude. They met to recount God's mercies, to make known his wonderful works, and to offer praise and thanksgiving to his name.

"With those who lived at a distance from the tabernacle, more than a month of every year must have been occupied in attendance upon these holy convocations. The Lord saw that these gatherings were necessary for the spiritual life of his people. They need to turn away from their worldly cares, to commune with God, and to contemplate unseen realities.

"If the children of Israel needed the benefit of these holy convocations in their time, how much more do we need them in these last days of peril and conflict.

"This is the time for every one to come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty. . . . Let the army of the Lord be on the ground to represent the work and cause of God. Do not plead an excuse. The Lord has need of you. He does not do His work without the co-operation of the human agent. Go to the campmeeting, even though you have to make a sacrifice to do so. Go with a will to work. And make every effort to induce your friends to go, not in your place, but to go with you, to stand on the Lord's side, and obey his commandments. Help those who are interested to attend, if necessary providing them with food and lodging. Angels who are commissioned to minister to those who are heirs of salvation will accompany you. God will do great things for his people. He will bless every effort to honor his cause and advance his work." *Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 6, p. 38-40.*

If all our people will heed this instruction there is no question but that we will have the biggest and best campmeeting this year ever held in the Ontario Conference.

A. V. OLSON.

### London

Last Sabbath eight precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism and rose to walk in newness of life. Professor Rowe officiated at the service and his timely admonition to the candidates as well

as a call to the older members to renew their baptismal vows, was appreciated by all. Special music was rendered by our visiting sisters, Ena and Veida Box of Exeter and May and Burnice Whitaker of Toledo. Two of the candidates were from Exeter, two from Toledo and four from London. We expect that before long five more will be ready to go forward in this sacred ordinance. We ask the prayers of all our people that we may continue to bring souls to a decision for this truth, and that many here and in the surrounding towns and villages may respond to the call now going forward through literature and by other means to awaken them to a sense of their great need.

A report of our visit to Dresden and Exeter will appear later. We are expecting some promising young people from these places to attend the Seminary at Oshawa next year. Pray for them that the Lord may move upon their hearts and that means may be provided for their tuition. Let us do something to help the young people get a preparation for serv. ce. Their help is needed in the finishing up of the work. Results will surely be seen from the efforts put forth. Some of those whom we help may greet us in the kingdom.

Mr. and Mrs Wm. BOYCE.

### This May Mean You

A short time ago I was with one of our churches in this conference for the communion service. After the sermon, as we were separating for the ordinance of humility, one man went away saying that he had not been paying his tithe and therefore could not take part. The thought came to me with great force that many Seventh-day Adventists today are like Judas who went away from the first communion table with a guilty conscience and sold his Lord for a few pieces of silver. Unless these poor, covetous souls soon repent of their sin and return to God his own in tithes and offerings, they will before long, like Judas, cast their silver into the temple crying for mercy, but then it will be forever too late. Then the door of probation will have closed never more to open. Then the gospel work will have been finished, and there will be no more need of funds for its advancement. Then all that are found with the Lord's holy tithe, knowingly in their possession, will perish as surely as did Judas; Achan with the golden wedge, and Ananias and Sapphira. "The history of Ananias and Sapphira is given us that we may understand the sin of deception in regard to gifts and offerings. . . . Their punishment was marked in order that it might serve as a perpetual warning to Christians in all ages." *Testimonies, Vol. 5 pp. 148, 149.* On page 151 of the same volume we find the following sad, but only too true statement, "I have been shown that many of our people are robbing the Lord in tithes

and offerings, and as a result his work is greatly hindered. The curse of God will rest upon those who are living upon God's bounties and yet close their hearts and do nothing, or next to nothing, to advance his cause." Dear reader, are you guilty of hindering the work of God? is the curse of God resting upon you? If so, let us heed the admonition of the Lord which says, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it." *Malachi 3:10.*

A. V. OLSON.

### Young People's Missionary Volunteer Day, May 6 Sabbath School Rally Day, June 3

The above days are to be set aside by all our churches in which to consider the young people's and Sabbath school work. Two interesting programs have been prepared for those days. You will find the program for Young People's Day in the *Review and Herald* of April 20. This program should be followed in every church in Ontario. Careful attention has been given to the preparation of the articles showing what is being accomplished for the youth both at home and abroad. This program *you* cannot afford to miss.

Leaflets concerning Sabbath school Rally Day, which is to be June 3, will by this time have reached every Sabbath school superintendent. Be sure and read it. What a loss it would be to our Sabbath schools to miss the excellent program prepared for this day. If put into practice it cannot help but increase our membership and brighten the exercises of our schools. Unusual care has been taken in its arrangement, and all we are asked to do is to assign the parts to different individuals who can deliver them to the best advantage. You will find the numbers for this program in the *May Sabbath School Worker*.

Would it not be well to invite the members of your church to make a special effort upon these two days for the salvation of the children and youth among us?

MARGARET B. SHANKS.

## MARITIME

### Progress in Yarmouth

Our work in this part of the Maritime field is going nicely. We moved to Yarmouth January 3 and were fortunate in securing living apartments with a person who is well known and respected, and through whom we have made the acquaintance of some real fine people. Shortly after coming here my wife and I were requested to sing at a funeral. Here

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we met with a number of people and since have enlarged our circle of friends. We were invited to visit and entertain the old ladies at the Yarmouth Home. We did so and have been asked to return and hold Bible studies with them. We have no trouble getting into the homes of the people to talk and study with them. One individual has begun to keep the Sabbath since we came here and others are interested. We have not as yet held any public meetings, as all the suitable halls are controlled by the theatre people who ask an exorbitant price, and until just recently it has stormed incessantly piling up great drifts of snow and blocking traffic. However we are not idle as we have received three thousand *Review* Extras to distribute, a gift from the Young People's Society of London, Ontario. We wish to acknowledge with gratitude this helpful literature. This gift on the part of the London young people may suggest a way in which other societies may help the workers. Pray for the work here.

WILLIAM WASELL.

## OBITUARY

FRANK—Died at Toronto, Ontario, April 19, 1916, Mrs. Maria Warner Frank, aged 61 years. The deceased was born in Wordsworth, Ohio, July 25, 1854. At the age of three she moved with her parents to Canada where she made her home until the time of her death. In 1874 she was united in marriage to George E. Frank who survives her. Sister Frank gave her heart to the Lord at the age of fourteen and was baptized by her father who was a Disciple clergyman. Eighteen years ago she accepted present truth and has remained faithful to the message ever since. She leaves a husband and two daughters to mourn. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

## Armageddon is in Stock

After long patient waiting we finally have our supply of the Canadian edition of "Armageddon" on hand. Early in the week they arrived and that same day we packed and shipped out to our people two thousand copies, so our edition of five thousand copies is fast melting away. We are already arranging for another edition of five thousand so as to be in a position to promptly supply all orders that come in. On account of the great demand for cars to carry war munitions, all other kinds of freight shipments have been held up, and that is the reason we have been unable to ship out "Armageddon" before this. If any one who has ordered this book does not receive it this week, kindly drop us a line and we will see to it that it is sent on at once.

Now, dear brethren and sisters, let us go at it and sow this important book broadcast over Canada. Now is the time; the people are anxious to know, and we have the book that will enlighten them concerning the meaning of present events. Everybody lend a hand.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

## Maritime Tithes and Offerings for March, 1916

Churches	Tithe	Miss.	Misc.	Total
Conference Church	\$12 00	\$24 50		\$36 50
Hopewell Cape N B	26 87	14 79		41 66
Halifax N S	37 48	32 20		69 68
Indian Harbor N S	3 65	20 88		24 53
Individuals	1 00	9 10		10 10
Jeddore N S	15 00	8 45		23 45
Lake George N B				
Moncton N B	53 20	34 70		88 90
N Sydney N S	15 90	5 36		21 26
St John N B	48 24	50 17		78 41
Scotts Bay N S	12 41	7 59		20 00
Sydney Mines N S	31 31	13 95		45 26
Tantallon N S	8 25	10 71		18 96
Tiverton N S	3 18	4 20		7 38
Williamdale N S	56 00	13 00		69 00
Total	\$555 09	\$324 49		\$230 60

## Quebec Conference Report for March, 1916

Churches	Tithes	Miss.	Sab. S.	Misc.	Total
Fitch Bay	\$ 11 66	\$ 75	\$ 1 74		\$ 14 15
Individuals	27 50	7 15	7 35		42 00
Mont'l Eng	286 78	10 01	33 03		329 82
Mont'l French	35 00	10 00	19 07		64 07
Namur	11 00				11 00
North Hatley					
Sherbrooke	67 37	3 91	16 85		88 13
South Bolton					
South Stukely	19 25	2 90	4 32		26 47
Total	\$458 56	\$34 72	82 36		\$575 64

## Newfoundland Mission Field Report for 1st Quarter 1916

Churches	Tithe	Miss.	Sab. School	Total
Bay Roberts	\$23 89	\$ 1 40	\$22 33	\$ 47 62
Catalina	15 00		11 05	26 05
St. John's	84 99	35 39	140 26	260 64
Total	\$123 88	\$36 79	\$173 64	\$334 31