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## Closing Exercises of the Eastern Canadian Missionary Seminary

The closing exercises of the present school year took place the past week and the students are now scattered to their various homes and occupations for the summer.

On Sabbath, May 20, Elder M. N. Campbell gave the baccalaureate sermon, taking for his subject lessons from the life of Jesus. This indeed was the highest ideal that could be set before those who were graduated this year and expect to take up work for the Lord. Quite a number of the friends and relatives of the students were present and the chapel was well filled with an attentive audience.

Monday evening the students of the Seminary rendered an interesting and profitable program consisting of recitations and musical numbers. One of the interesting features of this program was the drawing of cartoons by Brother Terence Martin. Elder Campbell gave a short talk on Christian education versus worldly education.

Tuesday evening the graduating exercises were held. Elder A. V. Olson delivered a most excellent address on the subject of "True Greatness" to which very close attention was given by those present. Professor Miller introduced the graduating class and

spoke words of commendation and appreciation for the high standard of scholarship and deportment which they had maintained. The diplomas were then presented by the principal, Professor Rowe. The class consisted of Mr. Hubert Martin, and the Misses Myrtle Patten, Abbie Culbert and Gladys Capman. A picture of the class appears in this issue of the MESSENGER. The rostrum was tastefully decorated with the class colors—green and violet. The motto, "Launched; Not Anchored," in-



E. C. M. SEMINARY GRADUATES

H. K. MARTIN, ABBIE S. CULBERT, GLADYS E. CAPMAN, MYRTLE E. PATTEN

indicated the conception of the graduates that they had but entered upon their educational career.

We trust that all the students may realize their ambition to meet again at the Seminary when it reopens in September.



## ONTARIO

### Home Missionary and Colporteurs' Institute

The institute held at Chatham, April 25 to May 1, was a decided success. Brethren from Thamesville, Kent Bridge and Dresden attended to receive instruction preparatory to entering the work as colporteurs.

A home missionary society was organized with Sister Frank Hadcock as leader, and a Bible workers' and literature band was formed for service. Elder Olson gave us a splendid systematic outline of Bible readings and taught us how to use tact and wisdom in giving these studies. Practical demonstrations on selling, lending and giving away our books and soliciting money for missionary work were given by the writer.

The preaching services were well attended and were a source of great spiritual blessing to all. Some listened for the first time to the stirring truths of a soon coming Saviour, and to present day conditions in the light of Bible prophecy presented in a forceful manner by Elder Olson. A real interest was aroused and requests were made that he return at an early date and continue the meetings. Surely the harvest is great. Let us pray and be faithful in tithes and offerings, that laborers may be sent to the whitened fields.

The Dresden church met with us on the Sabbath and the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated. We enjoyed the blessing of assembling ourselves together and partaking of a real spiritual feast. At the close of the service the president urged all to attend the campmeeting to be held at Brantford, June 19 to 25. Then as he thought of our great need of tents in order to carry on our evangelistic tent work successfully this summer, he asked if any would like to have a part in purchasing them. We were glad indeed to see the way in which the members responded. In a few minutes one hundred and sixteen dollars was pledged. We can see the fulfillment of this scripture: "Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power."

JOSEPH CAPMAN.

### Sudbury

I am pleased to be able to report from Sudbury. I returned to this field March 15 where I spent the first week soliciting. The Lord gave me favor with the people and I was able to raise the amount required. I have spent some time visiting and studying with the believers in Espanola, and also worked some in a town six miles distant. I thought if I received sufficient encouragement I might locate there and spend the Sabbaths at Espanola, but on returning to

Sudbury it seemed that this was the place to concentrate my efforts. I am enjoying my work here very much. There are twelve or fifteen interested people with whom I am studying. I am glad for one faithful convert who took his stand for the Sabbath when I was here in December. During the time I was gone he loaned "Great Controversy" to another man in whose home I am now living. He is faithfully studying the truth, and I look for him and his wife to take their stand for the Sabbath in the near future.

Miss Inez Cowles joined me April 13. She has canvassed the town for "Bible Readings" and some smaller books. Her sales have amounted to \$59.00. Miss Cowles has not had any instruction in the canvassing work and very little experience, as this is the first time she has been away from home. We feel glad for the success that has attended her efforts. Pray for the work in this needy field.

MABEL HILLYARD.

### Our Sabbath School

The readers of the MESSENGER will no doubt be pleased to hear from the Toronto West Side Sabbath school. It is our desire to progress in every branch of the work of this department. We enjoy reading the reports that appear from time to time from various other Sabbath schools. Oshawa had an especially good one some time ago.

At 9:45 A. M. our Sabbath school commences. Last Sabbath seventy-two attended while our membership is seventy-nine. It will be of interest to note how this good attendance was obtained. About a month ago the officers announced that a blackboard would be kept at the front of the room and that a mark would be placed on it for everyone who was tardy to Sabbath school. When, the next Sabbath, some came in late and saw a mark go down, they decided to put forth an effort to be on time in the future. This plan has given us a good attendance all through the Sabbath school. Instead of just fifty out of seventy-nine in attendance on time, nearly all the members are present at the beginning of the school.

There are two divisions in our Sabbath school—the children's department and the adults' division. While the second song is being sung the forty-five children and their teachers pass to the basement of the church where their school is conducted, and the adults remain upstairs.

Our donations average from \$4.50 to \$5.00. When we stop to consider that at least one-half of our members are children, this is a pretty good offering, but we hope to make it better, at least to reach fifteen cents a week for each member.

H. J. CAPMAN, Supt.



### Toronto Central

The members of this church were glad to have Elder Olson, our president, with us again on Sabbath. We were all much benefited by the good instruction he gave. The ordinance of the Lord's house was celebrated and over twenty-five took part.

On Sunday night the subject Rome's Challenge to Protestants drew a good audience, and we had the opportunity to present the Sabbath question to the people. This is the second time that this subject has been presented in this hall since October last. Almost the whole audience acknowledged that the seventh day is still the Sabbath, and over fifty promised that sometime they would obey it.

Our cottage meetings are well attended, and we are all of good courage. We trust that the Lord will impress the hearts of those who are hearing the truth to accept it.

MATT. J. ALLEN.

## QUEBEC

### Items from Montreal

Lent is over. I went to Notre Dame church twice to hear Mgr. Lenfant, a bishop from France, who attracted great crowds. When he spoke on general themes it was all right, but when he came to deify the Catholic church and deny that she ever persecuted, it was too much for me. I sent in my replies to the *Aurora* which is publishing them.

The pastor of the Erskine church, having announced a sermon on what he believed about Jonah, one of our people handed him a clipping from the *Youth's Instructor* giving the case of James Barclay who was swallowed by a whale in 1895, and found living in the body of the fish. The pastor, though inclined to consider Jonah's experience as a parable, read the article from the pulpit and gave due credit to it.

Elder Young, Elder Webster and I attended a leading church last Sunday to hear a white haired minister give a fiery sermon in favor of enlisting in the war. He was himself undecided as to whether he ought not to enlist as a private. Many soldiers were present and they took part in the service as singers and in taking up the offering. All over the city rolls of honor are placed in the churches, giving the names of those who have enlisted.

Sister Gobeille, though in feeble health, is keeping up her Sabbath afternoon meetings in which she endeavors to present the whole counsel of God to her English patients.

Another branch to our French mission is the Italian Bible studies conducted at the Italian Y. M. C. A. by Brother Von Gunten from Switzerland. His

brother-in-law, a Waldensian, another recent addition to our church roll, has joined him from Victoria-ville, and both have opened a watch repairing shop in a central location, 170 St. Catherine West, near Bleury. Any of our people in this Union who want good work done had better send their watches to these faithful men who will greatly appreciate it. Brother Von Gunten has a wife and seven children in Italy depending on him.

Our two lady canvassers have renewed some thirty subscriptions to *La Sentinelle*. Several of the subscribers have promised to come to our meetings.

Elder Roth writes me that he has just completed a successful and very encouraging trip to Haiti, our negro French mission field. His report will soon come out in the *Review and Herald*.

JEAN VUILLEUMIER.

### Notice

All those desiring either tents or rooms for their accommodation during the campmeeting will please write to Brother N. H. Saunders, Lennoxville, Quebec, who will be glad to render them all the service possible. Do not be satisfied with simply writing to him your request, but look for a reply thus insuring the receipt of your order by him. If any delay too long to send in their notice we trust that in no case they will shift the responsibility for failure from their own shoulders. Let us do the work of the Lord in a businesslike way.

Remember the date of the campmeeting, June 26 to July 2, to be held at Lennoxville. The grounds are close by the stations of the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Grand Trunk, the Boston and Maine, and also near the terminal of the Sherbrooke street railway.

WM. C. YOUNG.

### Notes

Last Sunday evening in the Sons of England hall, Oshawa, Elder Campbell reviewed the sermon preached by the Methodist minister on the Sabbath question. The hall was packed to its limits with an audience that gave the closest attention. As a result of this review a number have become profoundly interested in the message, and we believe that several more will be added to those who have already taken their stand for the truth.

Brother and Sister James Chamberlain entertained at their home in Oshawa Thursday evening the members of the Oshawa and Seminary churches and also some of their neighbors. This gathering was in honor of the twenty-first birthday of their son Lenond. A very pleasant occasion was enjoyed by all.



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## Poetry in the Messenger

We have had it in mind for some time to make a statement to our friends with reference to the matter of publishing poetry in the MESSENGER. We have made it our aim to select good, cheering, helpful poetry that has been tested out in other publications of good standing and republish it in our columns. We have not felt free to print much in the line of original poetry for two reasons: First, if we published original poetry of good quality that came to us, we were blamed by writers of the less desirable productions for not printing theirs, and were regarded as partial in not opening our columns to all poetic writers alike. Second, our editorial staff is not of sufficient size to enable us to give attention to working over poetry that needed editing, and so we have finally decided to decline to publish original poetry at all and to depend on selected matter to meet our requirements. Our larger journals like the *Review and Herald* and the *Signs of the Times* have extensive editorial staffs and are able to revamp and dress up original poetry for publication, and we would advise our good people who are gifted with the poetic impulse to send their productions to journals of the character mentioned rather than to us. Our attitude on this question is not to be interpreted as hostility toward poets but rather as a humble acknowledgment of our editorial limitations.

EDITOR.

## Campmeetings in the Eastern Canadian Union

Ontario	Brantford	June 19-25
Quebec	Lennoxville	June 26-July 2
Maritime	Norton, N. B.	July 3-9
Newfoundland	St. John's	July 14-18

## Notice

The fifteenth session of the Ontario Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held in connection with the campmeeting at Brantford, Ontario, June 19-25, for the election of officers, and the transaction of such business as may properly come before the conference. The first meeting is called to convene at 9.30 a. m. Tuesday, June 20, 1916.

A. V. OLSON, *President*,  
OLIVE LEACH, *Sec. Treas.*

## Maritime Tithes and Offerings for April, 1916

Churches	Tithe	Miss.	Misc.	Total
Conference Church	\$ 3 11	\$ 6 95		\$10 06
Hopewell Cape N B	12 10	1 00		13 10
Halifax N S	3 43			3 43
Indian Harbor N S				
Individuals		5 50	\$ 50	6 00
Jeddore N S	10 00			10 00
Lake George N B	5 00	2 00		7 00
Moncton N B	42 17	22 46	40	65 03
N Sydney N S	25 16	5 66		30 82
St John N B	31 39	19 80	2 52	53 72
Scotts Bay N S	1 93	8 07		10 00
Sydney Mines N S	31 42	12 71		44 13
Tantallon N S	8 00	7 80		15 80
Tiverton N S	15 94	1 86		17 80
Williamsdale N S	7 50	39 05		46 55
Total	\$197 15	\$132 87	\$3 43	\$333 44

L. VANBUSKIRK, *Treas.*

## Ontario Tithes and Offerings for April, 1916

Churches	Tithes	Miss	Misc.	Total
Albana	\$ 17 69	\$ 2 40		\$ 20 09
Attercliffe				
Belleville	45 00	4 75		49 75
Bouck's Hill				
Brantford				
Chatham	48 99	17 25		66 24
Dresden	31 00	6 05		37 05
E.C.M.Seminary	40 17	3 65		43 82
Exeter	7 37	5 77		13 14
Galt	9 50	3 15		12 65
Hamilton	120 84	20 03		140 87
Individuals	22 00	29 25		51 25
Iroquois	6 25			6 25
Kenyengah				
Kingston	324 80	50 74		375 54
Lindsay				
London	87 70	25 54		113 24
Lynden	21 44	3 25		24 69
Muskoka	5 00	50		5 50
Napanee	21 00	3 50		24 50
Niagara Falls	7 00	2 10		9 10
Oshawa	39 00	20 65		59 65
Ottawa	35 79	3 00	100	138 79
Paris	19 80	3 49		23 29
Peterboro	19 00			19 00
Petrolia	8 55			8 55
Selton		8 30	70	9 00
Simcoe				
St. Catharines				
St Thomas				
Toronto Central	64 86	17 38		82 24
" West	140 00	23 64		163 64
Total	\$1,142 75	\$254 39	\$100 70	\$1,497 84