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The Seminary

When this issue of the MESSENGER reaches the homes of our people the doors of the Eastern Canadian Missionary Seminary will have swung open to receive the student body for the school year of 1916-17. Wednesday, the 13th, is the appointed day for the opening. Already, a week before that date, students are coming in so as to be in good season for the long looked for day. On the other hand some who have been planning to come will be delayed a few days after the date for the opening, but none need become disheartened because circumstances compel them to arrive a little late. Come right along just the same. A cordial welcome awaits you and a year of good solid intellectual work under a strong faculty will be your privilege.

The faculty as finally made up is as follows:—
F. A. Spangler, History and Mathematics
Elder H. S. Miller, Science and Bible
Mrs. Eva Johnston Finch, French Department
Miss Annie Tenny, Music Department
Mrs. F. A. Spangler, Normal Department
Miss Ruth Leverentz, Commercial Department
Mrs. Alice Martin, Preceptress
Hubert Martin, Preceptor
Mrs. Chas. Joyce, Elementary School
Arthur Sharp, Cook

Mr. Spangler will act as principal and Mrs. Spangler as matron. An assistant is being provided for Mrs. Finch in the French department. With this faculty the Seminary is fully provided for the present year and the students may rest assured that thorough work and scholarship will be the result.

Parents who have their children's interest at heart will do their best to place them under the care of this capable corps of instructors and thus insure them a year of progress and intellectual growth. To any young people who are still hesitating over the question of attending school this fall let this article appeal to you as a strong personal invitation to come

and receive the good that is in store for you at the Eastern Canadian Missionary Seminary.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

ONTARIO

Throughout Eastern Ontario

Friday morning, August 4, I left home to visit the churches in the eastern part of our province. My first stop was at Belleville where I spent a few hours with Brethren Johnston and Beazley who were hard at work preparing to open up tent meetings there the following Sunday night. They had secured an ideal location on one of the best streets in the heart of the city. In order to fill my appointments it was necessary for me to leave, on the first train for Kingston. Here I was met by Brother Terwillegar and taken to the hall where we held a meeting with the believers that evening. On the Sabbath we had two preaching services, and the same on Sunday. Considering the size of this church the attendance was good. As we presented such subjects as "The Love of God," "The Nearness of the End" and "Our Need of a Deeper Christian Experience," we were all made conscious of the presence of the spirit of God. One young lady decided to cast in her lot with this people. Because of removals, the resident membership of this church has been greatly reduced, but most of those who remain are faithful and determined to press on in the Christian race until the victory is won. When the Harvest Ingathering work was presented all promised to take an active part. One lady not of our faith who was present ordered twenty-five of the papers. During these meetings Brother Terwillegar, who had previously been elected elder of the church, was ordained to that work. He is doing a good work canvassing in and around Kingston.

My next visit was at Napanee where I visited with the believers in their homes and held a few meetings

with them. All ordered a supply of the Ingathering papers and promised to do their best with them.

From here I went to Morrisburg where Brother Franklin Wells and his family met me at the station with their new Studebaker, and took me to their pleasant and hospitable home ten miles out in the country. Here we held a meeting with the Bouck's Hill church that evening, and another one the following night at the home of Brother Henry Wells. It was a real pleasure to visit with these brethren and a relief to spend a day or two away from the heat, dust, and noise of the cities, in this quiet and peaceful country place. If a series of meetings could be held in this community I believe the membership of the Bouck's Hill church could be materially increased. As far as I could learn no evangelistic effort has ever been conducted in that section of the country. This church also ordered a quantity of the Ingathering papers.

The following Friday, Sabbath and Sunday, it was my privilege to be with the Ottawa church. As a result of the splendid work carried on there last year by Elder Johnston and Brother Hurdon, there is a strong, active church in the capital of our Dominion. Under the faithful and efficient leadership of Brother Hurdon all the members are being encouraged and directed in various lines of home missionary work, and they are planning for a big Ingathering campaign this fall. The public meetings held in the hall as well as the cottage meetings are well attended by people who are deeply interested. Since campmeeting, several have commenced to keep the Sabbath and a number of others are in the valley of decision. The outlook for our work in Ottawa is bright and most encouraging.

On my way from Ottawa to Peterboro I stopped off for a day at Belleville where I was glad to find the workers full of courage and rejoicing because of the large and interested audiences attending their meetings in the tent night after night. We have every reason to believe that the effort in Belleville will yield a bountiful harvest of souls.

Because of removals and some apostasies, the church at Peterboro has been practically broken up, but I was glad however to find a few earnest believers who are nobly holding up the lamp of truth in that place. Besides visiting them in their homes one meeting was held which seemed to be thoroughly enjoyed and much appreciated. Here, as in all the other places visited, our good people promised to do their best in soliciting for missions.

The last place visited on this trip was Lindsay. Several families of Sabbath keepers living as far as twenty miles away and in various directions, came in to attend the meetings. After the preaching service Sabbath morning we all repaired to the river where

the sacred rite of baptism was administered to three earnest souls who desired to cast in their lot with the people of God. After a sermon in the afternoon the ordinances of the Lord's house were celebrated. This was the first time that a number of those present had the privilege of taking communion in a Seventh-day Adventist church. The spirit of God was present and we all enjoyed a real spiritual feast. This was a Sabbath day long to be remembered by those present, and all returned to their homes with new courage in the Lord. All the isolated Sabbath keepers present as well as the members of the church asked for a supply of the Ingathering papers to be sent to them.

On my return home I was glad to find the tent effort here in Toronto continuing with a large attendance and a deepening interest. Let us all "praise God for his goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men."

A. V. OLSON.

QUEBEC

Among the Believers

Leaving Montreal Aug. 22 for a trip among the believers in the Quebec conference my first stop was South Roxton where I was made to feel welcome at the home of Brother and Sister Dudevoir who are faithfully holding aloft the banner of truth in this place. About three years ago when they moved to this village there was much prejudice against the doctrines held by our people, but gradually there developed a more friendly attitude toward these truths, as the result of faithful seed-sowing, and now many in the surrounding country are willing to hear the message. Brother and Sister Dudevoir have spent much time in distributing literature, visiting the people and holding Bible studies. The day I arrived Brother Dudevoir had gone with his horse and buggy ten miles away from his home selling books, but his wife receiving word that I was coming managed to reach him by 'phone and he returned home arriving before I did. The next day we spent driving around among their interested friends, and that night I was invited to speak on the signs of the times. The house was well filled and the people gave close attention as I dwelt upon the present labor trouble.

It is wonderful how the minds of the people who were once so prejudiced could be completely changed, but it is another illustration of what earnest seed-sowing and faithful distribution of literature will do, as we are told in the following statement from the Spirit of Prophecy: "We are to preach the word of light to those whom we may judge to be as hopeless subjects as though they were in their graves. Though they may seem to be unwilling to hear or to receive the light of truth without questioning or wavering we are to do our part."

The little company of believers in South Roxton is sacrificing earthly comforts in order to see the cause of God advance. They plan to bring in a larger amount from the Harvest Ingathering campaign this year than ever before. They plan to work not only their own town but other near-by villages during the first week of October. May the Lord greatly bless their efforts and the efforts of all our people.

F. C. WEBSTER.

Sutton

We started a tent effort in the village of Sutton July 23, and for some time our attendance averaged 40 people, then climbed up, till August when we preached our first sermon on the Sabbath question, there were 100 persons present.

Three nights after that a very heavy storm came up, Sister Saunders and baby had to seek shelter in one of the nearby homes while Brother Saunders and I labored to save the tent. About midnight the ground became so wet that our stakes kept popping up, so we cleared the tent of seats, lights, organ, etc., and as soon as we had accomplished that task the wind tore the tent top to pieces.

The tent we had was the one used by the young people at campmeeting, and all who attended there will remember it was a very old one, in fact we purposed not to use it again after this season.

As it would take some time to secure another tent and fit it up we decided to rent a hall. This we did for a very reasonable sum. For several nights the air had been so cool we had to put up a stove in the tent to take the chill off and make it comfortable. Since moving into the hall the weather has turned extremely warm and our attendance has fallen as low as eleven people, and some of them were old Sabbath keepers. However, we do not feel like giving up, for certainly the spirit of God has attended the ministration of his word, so we intend to stick to it and glean all the Lord has for us among those who desire to follow him.

The different ministers are busy as bees warning the people not to attend the meetings as they have a tendency to unsettle people's minds. Either they realize that their foundation is quite shaky and will not stand investigation, or else they have a very poor estimation of the thinking capabilities of those who follow their teaching, that they cannot resist the persuasion of others.

We are trusting that our next report will be much more encouraging. Pray for the various tent efforts in this Union Conference.

WM. C. YOUNG.

MR. AND MRS. N. H. SAUNDERS.

Success for Quebec

A visit the past week among some of our churches and companies in the province has given me the assurance that we are bound to succeed in the great campaign which is soon to be launched. We do not plan to adopt conscription, for our people seem to be offering themselves willingly. In fact I believe that every able bodied man and woman and many of the children will be in the line of march which will begin the first day of October. It will be a tremendous struggle, but realizing that no great undertaking has ever been a success without thorough preparation and concerted action we plan to first be supplied with plenty of ammunition, take definite aim and make a drive all along the line at the same time and do our part in reaching the goal of \$100,000.00 from the Harvest Ingathering campaign this year.

F. C. WEBSTER.

The Campaign

The annual campaign for mission funds is about to open. In fact some of the more enthusiastic are already at it and have splendid results to report. One brother with whom I talked this week has arranged to take one thousand copies of the Ingathering *Signs* himself. He has been out a little while and taken in eighteen dollars already. Others are going right into the campaign as soon as their papers reach them.

I have a suggestion to make to our people in this connection: In last week's *Review* and also in the weekly *Signs* appeared a picture of the large company of missionaries going over to the Asiatic Division. Take a copy of one of these pictures with you and show this party of workers to those whom you are soliciting and state that you are gathering funds to help maintain these missionaries. That group of missionaries ought to make quite an impression on the minds of thinking people. They will be led to recognize that we are in earnest in our foreign mission operations.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

Does Canvassing Bear Fruit?

Do our books and papers that are being sold year after year by the faithful canvassers ever bring anyone into the truth? is a question which is sometimes asked. We are glad that this question can be answered in the affirmative. Scores and hundreds of people are today rejoicing in the truth of the third angel's message as the result of reading these truth-laden books. As proof of this many cases might be cited, but space forbids that I should mention more than one. When visiting the Lindsay church a short time ago I had the privilege of baptizing a man who, until that Sabbath morning, had never heard an Adventist sermon or Bible reading, and until a few days

"It is better to suffer wrong than to do wrong."

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before when some of the Lindsay brethren who had heard of him drove out to see him, had not met a Seventh-day Adventist with the exception of a canvasser or two from whom he purchased "Bible Readings" and "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation." Becoming deeply interested in the things taught in these books he sent to the Pacific Press Publishing Association for other books that he saw advertised on the last page in one of the books mentioned and also subscribed for the *Signs of the Times*. After a careful study of this literature together with his Bible he soon became convinced of the truth and commenced to keep the Sabbath.

Before baptizing this brother together with two other candidates, I gave him, in the presence of the whole church, a thorough examination covering all the various phases of our faith and we all were actually astonished to find that though he had never been instructed by a living representative of this message he understood it all, was in perfect accord with every point and able to give a reason for his hope with meekness and fear.

I do wish that the canvassers who sold this brother those first two books could have been present the day of his baptism. Could they have seen his face beaming with the radiance of heaven while tears of joy and gratitude trickled down his cheeks they would surely have felt well repaid for all the sacrifice and toil endured while carrying the printed page from door to door throughout that whole region. They may never know, however, in this world, but they will know in the world to come. Think of the joy unspeakable that will be theirs when in that better land they will meet this brother and hear him relate how they were the means of turning his feet into the heavenly way. Dear reader, if you would have a similar experience you must here and now heed the admonition of the Saviour, "Go work today in my vineyard."

If anyone reading these lines feels impressed by the Lord to go out canvassing we would be pleased to hear from you.

A. V. OLSON.

Wedding

A quiet little wedding took place at the home of Brother and Sister Gosnay at Hamilton Monday, September 4 at 7 p. m. when John P. Finch and Miss Eva V. Johnston were united in marriage. The guests

were confined to the intimate associates of the contracting parties. Miss Amy Gosnay and Mr George Butler were the attendants of the bride and groom. Following the ceremony a bountiful wedding supper was served after which the happy couple left on a short wedding journey. The good wishes of a large circle of friends will follow these young people in their new relationship.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Sept. 3, 1916 Ontario

Name	Book	Hours	Value	Total	Del
George Butler	BR	48			\$355 00
G W Sowler	Mag		\$69 15	\$69 15	69 15
Eric Jones	BR	20			59 25
L King	BR	48	66 00	73 95	
W Latham	BR	37	56 00	56 75	
John Pengelly	CK	45		50 10	
Hubert Martin	BR				19 25
Chas. Joyce	BR	42			161 00
Mrs S M Clark	BR	14	3 00	6 20	
C D Terwillegar	GC		28 00	54 75	
Total		254	\$222 15	\$310 90	\$663 65

Ontario Tithes and Offerings for July, 1916

Churches	Tithes	Miss	Misc.	Total
Albuna	\$ 6 50	\$ 5 00		\$ 11 50
Attercliffe	5 00	12 00		17 00
E.C.M.Seminary	16 69	4 51		21 20
Chatham	19 52	18 14		37 66
Dresden	6 10	12 76		18 86
Exeter	8 46	10 89		19 35
Galt	29 00	4 00	4 00	37 00
Hamilton	161 56	45 85	5 05	212 46
Iroquois	11 11			11 11
Individuals	80 15	6 00		86 15
Kenyengah	10 00			10 00
Lindsay	18 04	16 50		34 54
London	129 59	103 89	10 00	243 48
Lynden	6 17	8 17		14 34
Napanee	17 75			17 75
Oshawa	45 20	22 99		68 19
Ottawa	77 88	34 70		112 58
Paris	20 00	2 68		22 68
Peterboro	12 28		1 00	13 28
Selton	21 50	9 50		31 00
Toronto Central	89 60	28 23	35	118 18
„ West	159 77	62 94	5 00	227 11
Total	\$951 87	\$408 15	\$25 40	\$1,385 42

Standing on Mission Offerings to July 31, 1916

	Mem.	Due	Recd.	Short	Ahead
Ontario	550	\$3333 00	\$2524 09	\$808 91	
Maritime	266	1611 96	1081 30	530 66	
Quebec	150	909 00	581 38	327 62	
Nfld.	62	375 72	426 98		\$51 26
Union	1028	\$6229 68	\$4613 75	\$1667 19	\$51 26

Simplicity, of all things, is the hardest to be copied.—Steele.