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A Gift From a Friend

A gift, a friend has sent. A triffing thing, you say? But one has sent her love to me, And cheered a dreary day.

'Tis not the gift we prize, But love that prompted it Makes rare, a simple, common thing, And warms the soul a bit.

A gift is not a gift Without a friend to give; I think that friends are what God gave To make us care to live.

And as we love, we give: And as we give, we love: And thus our hearts are doubly filled With blessings from above. Set.

Greetings

It is with real pleasure that I send a few lines to my brethren and fellow workers of this field through the columns of the MESSENGER. I also esteem it a privilege to connect with this field as a fellow laborer in the capacity of the book department. However I can tully realize the loss you have sustained in losing our good Brother Davis who has been called to another field. To my mind Brother Davis is one of our strongest bookmen. So in this connection I wish to emphasize that I did not come to this field to outrival Brother Davis or any of my predecessors, but in the fear of the Lord to accomplish by your help as much as possibly can be achieved during the time I shall be permitted to remain with you.

While it is true that I have had but little opportunity to take a survey of the situation relative to plans for aggressive work for the ensuing year, still my observation thus far has led me to believe that

there is a very bright immediate future for the rich and expansive territory of this union in the way of the circulation of the printed page.

It was with no little pleasure that the writer spent two or three days recently with the 'teachers and students at the Seminary. He found to his delight an unusual happy and optimistic class of young men and women. While associating with these young people the conviction fastened itself upon the writer's mind that with this strong force of young men and women properly trained in the field this coming summer, a work might be achieved that would move this entire union conference as it has never moved in the past. I recently observed too that these dear young people tore a love of the message of the third angel in their hearts as well as the aggressive conquering spirit, which combined as a whole gives power to do the otherwise impossible.

The finishing of the unfinished work confronts us, my dear friends, therefore it is imperitive that we move forward in concerted action during this year as we have never thought of doing in the past. In these perils of the last days we should draw near to God, thanking him for sparing us thus far and enabling us to have some humble part in the closing of this work. Every Seventh-day Adventist should be asking himself the question. What can I do to help finish the work? A vast fertile field, pregnant with opportunities, lies at our very feet, and I beg of you at the beginning of this new year to do all in your power to help establish an aggressive permanent force of bookmen and bookwomen in this part of the Lord's vineyard. If you cannot go yourself, encourage someone else to take the field for God. The call of the hour is answered by the "coming of the man." The Lord is now asking, "Who will go for us?" Will you respond by saying, "Oh Lord send me?"

The writer would be pleased to communicate with anyone who feels that God is calling him to the work, E. M. FISHELL.

"OWE no man anything."

"HONESTY is the best policy."



EASTERN CANADIAN MESSENGER

Ontario

Wonderful Times

THE Ottaws church will move into their new building Sabbath, the 15th.

One of the new converts from Picton is planning to enter the Seminary soon. In a letter from Elder Beazley received this morning he says, "Our meetings are very largely attended. A few nights some had to be turned away. We had a splendid meeting last Sunday night and more than seventy-five came forward to the altar and consecrated themselves anew to God."

An adding machine has been greatly needed in the Ontario office for sometime. The work has grown to such proportions that it has become a necessity. To one surprise a new two hundred dollar machine has been donated to us. Am sure this will please you.

THE Hamilton church has moved into the best and most beautiful hall in the city, but several of our Hamilton brethren want a new church building. Hamilton may follow the example of Toronto, Ottawa and Brantford.

THE writer spent Sabbath, the 8th, with the Oshawa church. That church is anxious to broaden out and accomplish more in finishing the work. Mrs. Heald gave some very helpful suggestions to the Sabbath school there.

SISTER Mabel Hillyard has been ill since the union meeting. Let us remember her in our proyers. Cobalt is a hard place to work.

Is your Sabbath school reading the Mission Quarterlies? Ask for these readings. They are fine for your school. B. M. HEALD.

Toronto

Spiritualism and the Ouija Board have been causing quite a stir in the city, so we took advantage of the hour and rented the Strand theatre which will seat 1600 people and spoke on this subject to a full house. The offering of \$85.67 more than covered our expenses.

We began a series of meetings in the new church Sunday night with a good attendance. We solicit your prayers.

A class is preparing for baptism, and Sabbath. February 8, a service will be held in the church when these souls will be buried with their Lord.

THE KIND OF MEN GOD IS LOOKING FOR

Before the year 1810 America had no foreign missionary organization, but the young Adoniram Judson who was reared and educated for a Congregationalist minister, became interested in missionary work. After earnest prayer he gathered around him other young men whose hearts burned to help the lost, and a missionary society was organized. These young men were very much in earnest and the Congregationalists urged them to go out and establish the work in India. After some time arrangements were made and the young man with his wife and friends started for Calcutta, especting on their arrival in India to meet the English Baptist missionaries and establish a mission near them. Judson realized that this would make it necessary for him to explain to the natives the difference between the organizations. He therefore spent the most of his time on the journey studying his Bible. When he arrived in Calcutta he and his wife were baptized Baptists having been convinced from their study that they were right. This is the reason for Judson being known as a Baptist missionary. Did he do right? J. W. MCCOMAS.

Belleville

Sabbath, February 1, was a banner day for the Belleville Sabbath school. Our new officers have started a unique plan to attract the attention of the members of our school. At the close of the school the superintendent marks on a blackboard the attendance, membership and offering of each class. He calls on each teacher for his report, and in this way he marks on the board the record of the day in just a moment. Last Sabbath the record read this way: Class Members Attendance Visitors Offering Primary 6 1 .88

Junior	6	6	.65
Adult	12	12	1.98
Adult	11	11	1.85
Total	85	35	1 \$ 4.81

The goal of our Sabbath school for this quarter , is \$46 and we are going to get it by the looks of the present report for one Sabbath.

The after service was one long to be remembered by the Belleville believers. We had organized our "home missionary band, and it was the first meeting we had held. The fourth Sabbath reading was followed as outlined in the *Gazette*. Sister M. McCormick is leader and Sister Ethel Lyng is secretary. They took their places at the appointed time and con-"ducted the service.

During the week two of the sisters had been asked to visit the House of Refuge. They did so and were received with great kundness. They were taken in a car and brought back to their homes in the same way. While being taken through the place they met many old people who were very glad to have them talk about Christ. Many of them wept. The superintendent asked them to come and hold a service in the chapel with the old people. He said anytime we would let him know we were coming, he would arrange to have them all gather in the church and we could conduct a meeting. We are going to do this.

A poor lady was visited and food, clothing and money given her. She has six children. Her husband was killed and she is dependent upon the people. She received us with welcome. We are going to visit her again soon. We beleive that God wants us as Seventh day Adventists to do this kind of work.

We plan to use much literature in our home missionary work, and we would be glad ^ffor any clean copies of papers that our brethren could send us. We want to visit the jail, Old Folks' Home, and other institutions. We need clean copies of our papers and magazines. If you have any send them to Mrs. E. McCormick, 37 Dunbar Street, Belleville, Ontario. Pray for the work in this place.

HOWARD J. CAPMAN.

Maritime

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Where Are Your Treasures?

During the last six months we have heard much about victory bonds. At the battle's front an army, millions strong, repulsed surely and steadily a national The insistent call for men was followed by the fne. inevitable appeal for means. Those who had not responded for active service were given an opportunity to have a part in the fast approaching victory. Because reports from "Over There" proclaimed the end almost in sight, the people, tired with four years of struggle for existence amid so much distress, bought bonds until almost every district was reported "over the top." The possessors of these victory bonds feel safe in the knowledge that back of their invested moneys is the seal of a government which has promised a liberal premium for the use of their funds.

But there is a battle line that encircles the globe, Where the forces of good and evil meet the King has an army of picked men. Thousands strong they stand a peculiar people, whose weapons of warfare are not carnal. They have as an objective the "Gospel to all the world in this generation." With the wisdom of an experienced general be has divided his forces into two companies, the home forces and those who are forging ahead into regions beyond. 'Louder and ever louder

to those at home comes the appeal, "Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal." This bond, bearing the seal of an eternal king, promises an interest of "Some thirty some sixty, and some an hundred fold."

Because through the *Review* we learn that the missionaries are untiringly carrying to all peoples the message which seals earth's record for all, we are constrained to make our share in the victory sure. Through the Sabbath school we makeour weekly payments into the treasury. The quarterly call comes through the same channel when we are asked to help some especially needy field with a good Thirteenth Sabbath Offering.

If you are isolated and there has been a vacancy in the line where the Leader would have had your light burning, will you not this year be a Home De-Department member? You can learn the will of Him who has called you to his service through a daily study of the Sabbath school lesson. In this preparatory school he will lead you until in larger service you will be used to gather in others.

May the detachment of the Supply Corps, known as the Sabbath School Department of the Maritime Conference, continue to have its part in the constant advance made on the general front. Only thus can we be assured of the place God has for us in the ultimate triumpli. Remember that back of our investments of time and means are the oft repeated promises of the eternal reward. AMY FRANK.

A Memorial Service

On Friday evening of the week of prayer a memorial service was held at Williamsdale Academy for Allan Sparks who died in the Amherst hospital on December 8, 1918. Mr. Martin first spoke of the three deaths that had occurred in this church since its organization in 1905. Mrs. Fowler died in 1906, Mrs. Machlan in 1914 and now little Allen has left us. Allan was baptized during conference at Oxford in September, 1917, and after coming to the Academy joined the church the same year with four others who were baptized with him.

A touching duet was rendered by Mrs. Martin and Mr. Bugden and then Elder Wilson occupied the time basing his remarks on Job 14. He spoke of the sadness this event has brought to us all, and of how Allan will be missed in the school for he was liked by all. Elder Wilson stated that great comfort can be obtained from Revelation 14:12-14 and spoke of the hope we have of meeting those who are taken from us, at the first resurrection.

To close Allan's favorite hymn was sung-"Gleams of the Golden Morning."

MRS. W. G. STEEVES.

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Montreal Items

ELDERS Christian, Olson and Young are in Montreal this week attending the Conference and Auditing Committee meetings.

AT our regular monthly missionary meeting, Sabbath January 22, our church decided to purchase and circulate 10,000 Present Truth. \$50,00 was subscribed for this purpose.

A pastor in a village near Montreal recently preached on the subject "Seventh-day Adventists". While exhorting his members to greater faithfulness he said, "These people know their Bibles. They can talk on any Bible subject, and even their children can torn to the Scripture to prove their doctrine. They do not have to pay preachers to do their work for them, they are all missionaries,—men, women and children, and are scattering their literature everywhere,"

We had the privilege of visiting Brother and Sister E. Upton, who live near this village, and we found them faithfully holding up the standard of truth.

F. C. WEBSTER.

Waterville

It has been some time since the readers of the MESSENGER have heard from this part of the harvest field. Although we have not written we are glad that the work of God has been onward and we have only courage and progress to report.

Up until last Sabbath the North Hatley church meetings have been held at my home each Sabbath, but on account of a larger attendance it was decided to secure larger quarters so as to accommodate the people more comfortably. We secured an empty house with a large seating capacity, moved the seats and organ into it, and we held our first meeting in this place last Sabbath. This step was taken none too soon for a family of seven informed me today that they plan to commence next Sabbath to observe the time that is set apart as sacred and will be at the service. A lady who holds a position of influence in the town has been attending our Sabbath services for several weeks. We are glad to be able to report that still other homes are open to us for Bible study, and with God's help and blessing upon our labors, we hope to see many more "step over the line."

Elder Young paid us a visit remaining over the Sabbath. As usual he was kept busy visiting and occupying the pulpit during the short time while he was here. We believe we can report all the members of the North Hatley church of good courage in the Lord and pressing on to higher ground. E. J. CLARK.

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Churches	Tithe	15	Mi	18.	Sab	. 5.		Misc.	- To	tal
Conference	852	67	254	16	271	84	61	08	1439	20
Halifax	1807	94	583	74	302	36	181	65	2215	69
Hopewell Cape	117	03	25	30	31	72	4	00	908	05
Indian Har.	157	95	55	57	95	75	17	20	326	47
Lake George	140	15	68	93	30	82			234	90
Moneton	864	27	329	28	290	19	29	20	1512	115
North Sydney	931	17	187	30	245	31	10	09	1373	87
Scott's Bay	265	10	22	25	119	18	20	25	346	78
St. John	792	19	94	80	286	09	27	17	1140	75
Sydney Mines	454	46	324	51	158	58	N	00	840	50
Tantallon	340	46	9	00	50	78	18	40	408	59
Tiverton	134	92	85	00	53	56	21	00	284	95
Williamsdale	1196	86	283	04	328	88	135	27	1888	05
Oxford	218	49	66	85	-55	32			180	61
Totals 5	7788	16	\$2214	68	\$2184	28	\$11	6 87	\$12605	41

AMF FRANK, Treas.

Good Seed in Good Ground

The following is a copy of a letter received by a sister in Bishop's Crossing, Que., from a young man to whom she has been sending literature:

"Wichiti, Kansas

Dear Sister Nurse:

A letter from Elder Harry Cooper tells me that a man named Henry Maxwell, a life prisoner in the Lansing, Kansas, penitentiary, has accepted the truth and requests baptism. I thought you would be interested to know this as he says you have been sending him reading matter. I shall make it my way to visit this young man as soon as I can, and you may be sure that we will give him our best attention.

You will be interested to know too that we are receiving frequently names of people who are coming into the truth through books sold by colporteurs and church members doing home missionary work. This, I believe is what will finish the work.

Thanking you for your interest in Brother Maxwell, and trusting that you will continue to keep in touch with him and encourage him all you can I am Very Sincerely yours,

E. A. JONES."

"LIFE is made up of little things."