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"Go, and Lo"

"Go ye therefore and teach all nations . . . and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Matt. 28:19, 20.

Christ's presence with his church is conditional upon their fulfilment of the great commission. "Go, and lo, I am with you." Not only is this true of the first disciples, but it is his method and promise "even unto the end of the world."

Christ himself is in heaven, but he has sent "another comforter." "The Holy Spirit is Christ's representative." D. of A. page 669. "The implanting of Christ's nature in humanity through the work of the Holy Spirit." D. of A. page 509. "I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you." "I in you." John 14:18-20. Then Christ would come and make his home in the human heart, by his representative, the Holy Spirit.

"Christ in you the hope of glory," Col. 1:27. Is the Holy Spirit in you? The promise that he would be with his disciples as they went on his mission is the promise of the Holy Spirit.

"At the commencement of the time of trouble, we were filled with the Holy Ghost as we went forth and proclaimed the Sabbath more fully. . . . The commencement of the time of trouble here mentioned does not refer to the time when the plagues shall begin to be poured out, but to a short period just before they are poured out while Christ is in the sanctuary." E. W. p. 85.

"We were filled with the Holy Ghost as we went forth." "Go, and lo, I am with you." There can be no presence of Jesus by the Holy Spirit with an idle church. In order to be prepared for the reception of the Spirit of God, the church must be doing its utmost to fulfill the great commission. The first disciples "did not wait in idleness." "Acts of Apostles," page 35.

The remnant church is carrying a great world program into effect. Frequent and heavy calls are made upon our time, our means, our efforts.

We are glad it is so, for it is only a church going to the uttermost parts of the earth, which can expect the baptism of the Spirit. There is the counter danger of "seeking to make a saviour of our activity." We cannot be saved by reason of our activity, any more than another can be saved by reason of his inactivity. But an inactive Christian, one who never engages in Christian service, is not a living Christian. Therefore the more earnest and active the church is in extending the triumphs of the cross, the more probability of the baptism of the Spirit, if it is earnestly sought after.

The Big Week, in which we center our service upon securing means to print the "everlasting gospel" in all lands, affords another opportunity to claim the promise of the Holy Spirit's presence.

"Go, and Lo, I am with you."

F. W. STRAY

College Arbor Day

When we think of heaven, we think of a place of order and system, for we cannot imagine God dwelling in a place other than the most systematic and beautiful, as these attributes had their origin with him. When this earth came from his plastic hand it was arrayed in the most beautiful manner, everything blended in perfect harmony. It was not flat and monotonous, but was dressed with hills and vales, lakes and rivers, and skirted with trees and flowers to give it a most delicate finish. Again when God called the children of Israel out of Egypt he organized them in a most practical way. The camp was arranged in squares and streets. The different tribes were grouped on different sides of the sanctuary, which was a most beautiful structure. And when at last they came into the promised land, God ordered them to build a temple which was the pride of the Jewish race, and still stands out as one of the wonders of history.

Just as God has demonstrated by the crea-

tion of the world, by the building of the sanctuary, and finally by his description of the New Jerusalem and the earth made new, so I believe he would have us do our work after the same pattern. It is impossible for us to glorify God by having around our institutions a campus unkempt. Realizing this we have set apart the 27th of April as Arbor Day. On this day we plan to grade the campus and plant trees as you will see designated on the accompanying diagram. We do not wish to lay plans or plant slow growing trees that will be a denial of our faith, but we expect to plant trees that will within a year or two be a decoration to our campus, and show that we believe in glorifying God in all our works for him. We plan on this day to dismiss school and every student will donate his day's labor. We invite all the neighbors to come and bring their scrapers, spades and shovels, and help us change the face of the whole hillside. We also extend the invitation to any throughout the conference to come and visit the school and spend the day with us, beautifying the Lord's property. Many of the conference workers are coming in to join us, and we expect it to be a great day in the history of our school. The students are talking about it and looking forward with great pleasure to the day.

Although we have asked the brethren in the field to give us money, and they have responded well, we feel they would like to have a monument planted at this center of the work of Eastern Canada, to represent them until the close of time. So we are asking each church of the union to select a tree which they may find listed in the article of Mr. Holm, to designate on the accompanying diagram where they would like to have it planted, sending the amount of money to cover the cost, and we will be glad to plant it to ever stand a live witness of the tie that binds the hearts of our people to the great work of educating the youth of this field. It may be that some of the churches will like to choose more than one tree, or it may be that some individual will like to personally donate the price of a tree, to help make the institutions at Oshawa a glory to God.

We thank you for what you have done in the past, and solicit your hearty co-operation in this endeavor.

K. L. GANT
President

"There is little spiritual life where there is backwardness to prayer."

Our Plans for Arbor Day

"And the Lord planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground made the Lord to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food.

"And the Lord God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it." Gen. 2: 8, 9, 15.

"The home of our first parents was to be a pattern for other homes as their children should go forth to occupy the earth. That home, beautified by God himself, was not a gorgeous palace. Men in their pride, delight in costly and magnificent edifices, and glory in the work of their own hands; but God placed Adam in the garden. This was his dwelling. The blue heavens were its dome, the earth, with its delicate flowers and carpet of living green was its floor. And the goodly branches of its leafy trees were its canopy. In the surroundings of the holy pair was a lesson for all time,—that true happiness is found, not in the indulgence of pride and luxury, but in communion with God through his created works." Pat. and Prop. Page 49.

"The earth is now marred and defiled by sin. Yet even in its blighted state, much that is beautiful remains. God's object lessons are not obliterated; rightly understood, nature speaks of her creator." C. O. L. Page 18. "In these lessons direct from nature, there is a simplicity and purity that makes them of the highest value. All need the teaching to be derived from this source. In itself the beauty of nature leads the soul away from sin and worldly attractions, and toward purity, peace, and God." C. O. L. Page 24.

The foregoing paragraphs help us to realize the importance of surrounding ourselves with conditions essential to a proper study of nature. Even as God surrounded our first parents in Eden with everything which was pleasant to look upon and good for food, so he desires us to surround ourselves with everything beautiful in nature, that through them we may learn that "Creation and Christianity have one God," and may see the harmony of the natural with the spiritual.

When our school was founded in Avondale, Australia, Sister White bore the following testimony with regard to the use of the land about the school: "On several occasions the light has come to me that the land around our school is to be used as the Lord's farm. In a special sense portions of the farm should be highly

cultivated. Spread out before me, I saw the land planted with every kind of tree that will bear fruit in this locality; there were also vegetable gardens where seeds were sown and cultivated. The light given me is that all the section of land from the school orchard to the Maitland Road, and extending on both sides of the road from the meeting house to the school, should become a farm and a park, beautiful with fragrant flowers and ornamental trees. There should be orchards, and every kind of produce should be cultivated that is adapted to the soil, that this place may become an object lesson to those living close by and afar off." Test. Vol. 6, Pages 185, 187.

Coming upon the College campus from the Kingston highway, you cannot but notice its bare appearance—no trees, no grass, no flowers; but as you take a second look you are impressed with the beauty of the landscape and the exceptional opportunities for the making of a beautiful campus. Feeling that the time is ripe when we must launch out upon a program which will make our campus the lesson book which we believe God would have it become, we have worked out a plan for the beautifying of our school grounds, and are herewith submitting it to the readers of the Messenger. As upon many occasions in the past you have most loyally rallied to our support, so we believe you will again do something to help us to improve and beautify the home surroundings where our young people must spend from four to six years of their youth.

The diagram will very largely explain our plan. The orchard on the west side of the college drive will consist of apples, cherries, plums, and pears. We cannot hope to do this the present year. Just across the road we hope to see a bed of annual flowers, with a raspberry and strawberry patch of sufficient size to at least supply the dining room the year round.

Our object this year is to beautify the campus by the making of lawns and the planting of ornamental trees and shrubs. According to the lettering on the plan, we would like to plant the following:

A.	60 Carolina Poplars.....	\$1.00	each
B.	7 Pyramidalis Arbor vitae....	1.75	
C.	2 Spirea Van Houtte.....	.65	
D.	1 Norway Spruce.....	.50	
E.	2 Norway Spruce.....	.50	
F.	12 Rose bushes.....	1.00	
J.	Native shrubs:		

K.	12 High bush Hydranges.....	.65
L.	100 Japanese Barberry.....	.40
M.	Herbaceous Perennials.....	.25
	12 Shasta Daisies:	
	24 Gaillardias:	
	12 Boltonia Asters:	
	12 Golden Glow:	
	6 Dahlias.....	.35
N.	1 Snowball Hydrange.....	.65
O.	Native White Cedar hedge:	
R.	Native Lowland shrubs:	
S.	Native Shrubs	

We believe that some at least of those who read this article are especially interested in these trees or shrubs, and will do all they can to help us. You could send us the price of one or more trees, or group of trees, specifying what you wish the money to apply on. The twelve rose bushes are to be arranged in a bed as you can see from index letter F. and would make a most excellent donation. All these trees, flowers and shrubs are needed, and any sum of money, be it large or small, will be much appreciated. We shall also be glad to hear from any one who could send us native high bushes, cranberry bushes, white pine, spruce, or red cedar.

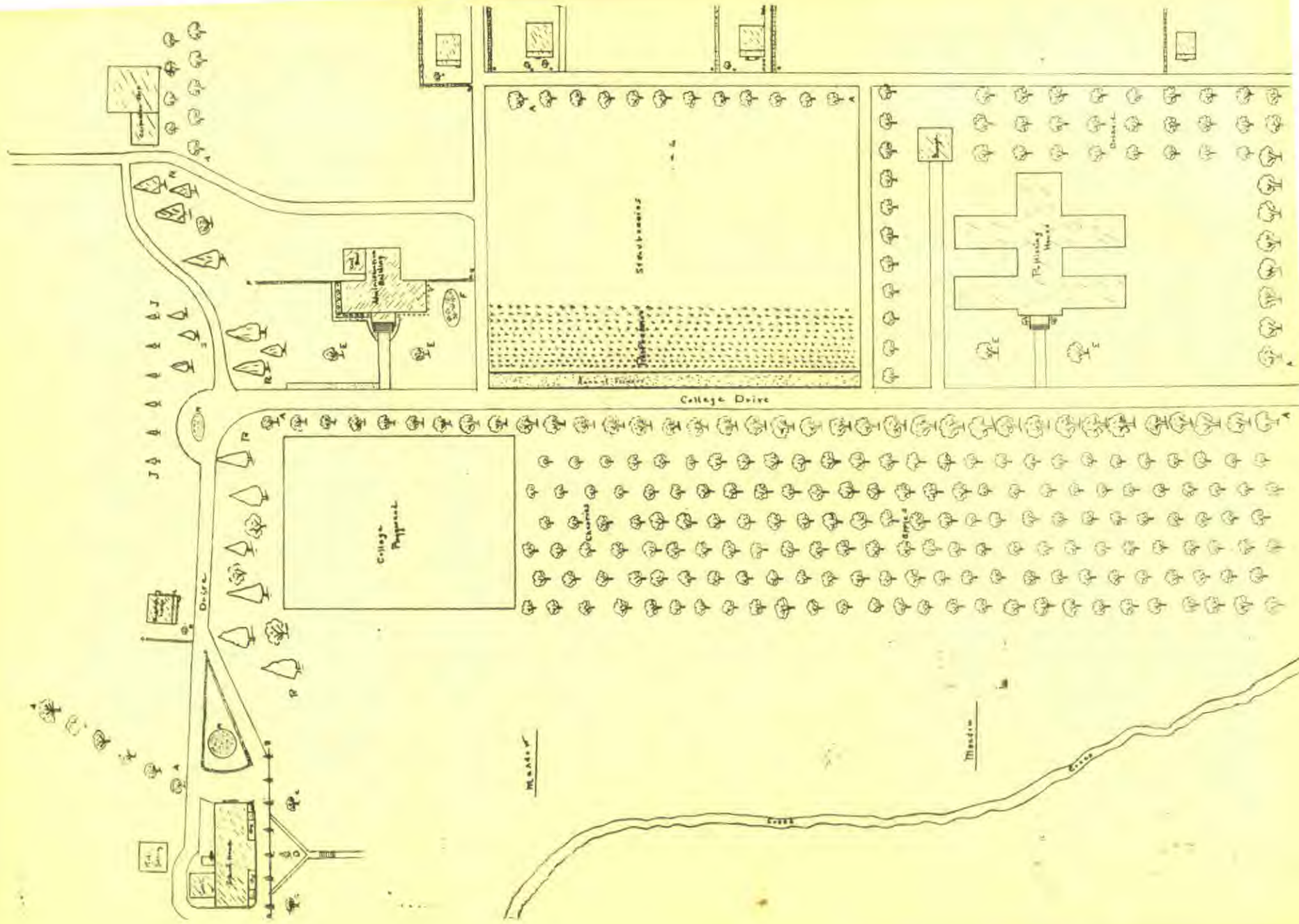
We have designated April 27 as Arbor Day at the college, and are soliciting the help of students, teachers, neighbors, and friends to make this day a success.

L. N. HOLM

Oshawa College And Ottawa

We closed our special work at Oshawa College Wednesday night, March 22. Tuesday night, the entire congregation came to the front for an altar service, in most earnest seeking to be right with God. Wednesday night, as the subject of confession was entered into, and the meeting was opened, many earnest and heart-broken confessions were made. The most prominent among the sins confessed was the spirit of criticism, upon which many seemed to be convicted, and we believe that wonderful victories were gained.

Members of the faculty and many of the students expressed themselves as believing that it was the most practical and helpful series of meetings they had ever attended. The purpose of these meetings is to instruct in the way of Godliness so that not only shall there be revival, but reformation in the life. We believe that the Word of God will affect this



reformation when it is made our daily study in seeking after personal holiness of life.

Sabbath, March 25, Elder Barrett and I joined with Elder Richards in a series of meetings at the Ottawa church, holding three services. As in the other services recently conducted, the ministers all took part, reading quotations freely from the Spirit of Prophecy, and giving the people opportunity to express themselves. There was an excellent response on the part of the church membership and a spirit of confession of sin came in. We were much encouraged by the attendance on Sabbath, and the splendid response in the thirteenth Sabbath offering to missions, amounting to about \$85.00. The Sabbath school program was very interesting.

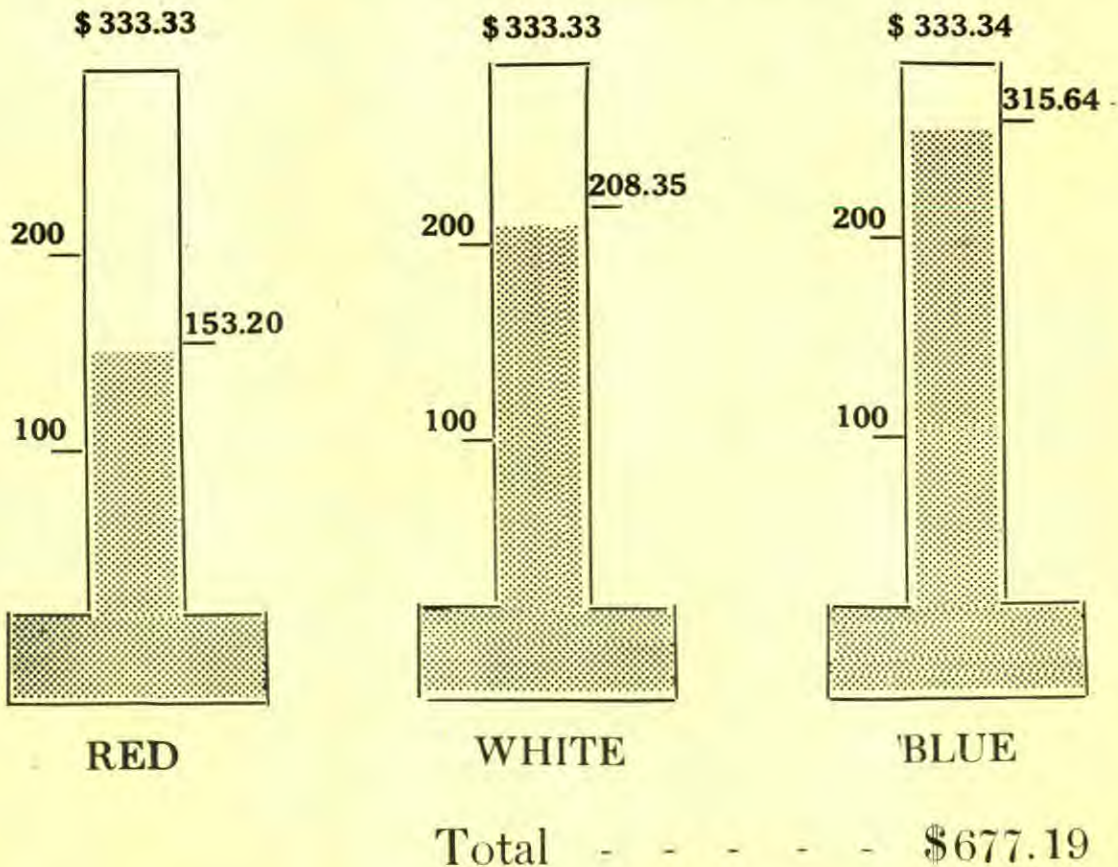
Having been absent from Ottawa on the Sabbath for several weeks, we were glad to see several new faces in the congregation. We were also glad to welcome back Brother Lamout from the Washington Sanitarium where he had undergone a major operation. Continue to pray for the work in Ottawa.

F. W. STRAY

Notice

Some time ago we published an article stating that the College had maturing obligations this spring, some of which were with worldly banks at a high rate of interest, and requesting our people to invest their surplus funds with the College in order to meet these obligations and reduce our rate of interest and also for the safety of our own people's investments during these perilous times.

We have been made sad to learn of some of our people taking risks in making investments of their surplus means this past winter outside of our work, at considerable loss. We believe all we are and all we have as believers in this message belongs to God, and it is a cause of deep regret when our people inadvisably lose their means through someone's appeal for loans which are unsafe. However, since the article mentioned, we have received \$3,500. which has been applied to maturing obligations. But a number of those who have had money with the College in past years, have found it necessary to withdraw it this spring because



needed in their business affairs. Several who had money with which the College purchased houses. Every such call has been promptly paid, but it leaves the College in need of \$4,000, at 5% to meet obligations maturing between now and May 1st. The College Board in considering this matter requested me to insert such a notice in the Messenger.

If you have surplus funds in the bank or in bonds, which could be serving the cause of God, please write the Oshawa Missionary College, or to me, at Box 276, Oshawa, Ontario. Please attend to this at your earliest convenience if you have means to invest in the cause. Any time that you need the funds either in part or in whole, they will be available on thirty days notice, or if the sum were \$1000, or less, and the need was urgent, it could be paid upon request.

F. W. STRAY

Walking on Glass

How would you like to have small pieces of broken glass in your shoes and walk that way for a week?

The writer over a year ago met a man on the train who had been doing that for a week, he also had walked with buckshot in his shoes, and lacerated his body with a leather strap with steel points. He was doing penance for his sins, and to obtain peace in his soul. He had never seen a Bible, though about sixty-five years of age. I gave him John 3 to read, spoke to him of the new birth, and the love of God. When John 3:16 was read, tears came down his cheeks. I gave him the gospel, then sent him a French Bible, then "Steps to Christ," and then what? He read the books, the Spirit of God did the work in his heart. He has written us that he is so happy that he has found Jesus, and that he will keep his commandments and follow in his footsteps. He is our first Sabbath keeper on the Island of Anticosti.

A new edition of the French "Steps to Christ" will be ready for April 1. We have seen the cover and the illustrations, and it will be very attractive to the Roman Catholics. Big Week, April 8-14, is your opportunity to do something for your French neighbors. Brother Chartier has sold one to the wife of a chief of police, a French Roman Catholic. She was very pleased with it, and her husband has taken it to his office and is reading it. We shall see many honest souls among our Roman Catholic friends

accept the truth when the love of God warms our hearts and stirs us to work for him.

"When the churches become living working churches, then the Holy Spirit will be given in answer to their sincere request. Then the windows of heaven will be open for the showers of the latter rain." Review and Herald, Feb. 25, 1890.

"When the reproach of indolence and slothfulness shall have been wiped away from the church, the Spirit of the Lord will be graciously manifested. Divine power will be revealed. The church will see the providential working of the Lord of hosts." Test. Vol. 9, page 46.

"The special work for this time must be done in reaching the people through personal effort." Special Testimony.

"Lend your neighbors some of our smaller books. If their interest is awakened, take some of the larger books. . . . By lending or selling books, by distributing papers, and by holding Bible readings our lay members could do much in their own neighborhoods. Filled with love for souls, they could proclaim the message with such power that many would be converted." Test. Vol. 9, page 35.

"It is a mystery that there are not hundreds at work where now there is but one. The heavenly universe is astonished at the apathy, the coldness, the listlessness of those who profess to be sons and daughters of God." Volume 9, page 42.

"In a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with power, and who lightens the earth with his glory." Vol. 7, page 140.

Make Big Week, April 8-14, a blessing to your neighbors and friends by visiting them with our literature. Give them the privilege of having a share in giving to send literature to the foreign fields, and thus be a blessing to others. The Big Week will be Big, in that it will be a Big blessing for you.

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July 6-16

Yes, July 6 to 16, 1922, that is the date that our Quebec brethren have been inquiring about. After giving careful consideration to the interests of our brethren throughout the field, it

has been decided that this would be the best date on which to hold the annual Quebec campmeeting. Of course every believer in the Quebec Conference is desirous of attending, and we are sure that many are definitely planning to do so. Surely these yearly convocations are ordained of the Lord, and only those who attend can fully appreciate what is missed by those who do not.

Whether you have been accustomed to attend campmeeting or not, do not fail to be there this year. We are planning to have a real old time campmeeting—out of doors, in tents—just as we used to have years ago. The Lord has blessed us with a large new pavilion, and a number of new family tents. We believe we will be able to provide tents for all those who may wish them. We hope to make the spiritual interests of the camp first, last and everything.

"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 effort to attend the gatherings of God's people.

"Brethren and sisters, it would be far better to let your business suffer than to neglect the opportunity to hear the message God has for you. Make no excuse that will prevent you from gaining every spiritual advantage possible. You need every ray of light. You need to become qualified to give a reason for the hope that lies within you, with meekness and fear. You cannot afford to lose one such privilege." Test, Vol. 6, page 38, 39.

We are not prepared at this time to announce the place, as that has not yet been decided upon. But remember the date—July 6-16, and plan to be there. The place will be announced later. Let us pray that the campmeeting this year may prove to be a real stepping stone in the onward progress of the work of God in the Quebec Conference.

F. G. LANE

"My Word Shall Not Return Unto Me Void"

Prospects are bright for Big Week. The orders from the churches have been coming in until our shelves have been unloaded of our supply of small books, and the orders for the *Canadian Watchman* are coming in fast. This supply of literature going into the hands of the people is bound to bring results. We trust that this wave of enthusiasm that has been set in motion will result in the sale of this good literature, and bring the after result of souls in the kingdom.

Recently there have been some very encouraging evidences of the fulfilment of the promise, "My word shall not return unto me void." A copy of "Our Day in the Light of Prophecy and Providence" was sold a lady last summer. Later she ordered one to be sent to a friend. Acknowledging receipt of this order a catalog of publications was sent to the lady. In return she very carefully selected from the list of tracts a number that dealt with the Sabbath Question as well as ordering a copy of the book "Christian Sabbath." There is no doubt but that this lady is interested and is giving serious thought to the Sabbath question. She evidently read the book and was impressed with that part of the message that it bore.

Such experiences as this ought to encourage every member in Maritime to take an active part in the campaign that will be launched April 8. Having then a taste of the joys of service in meeting the public with such a powerful truth, we feel sure that Maritime will be flooded with the printed page; for many will wish to continue the good work.

AMY FRANK

A Promising Field

"Great benefits would come to the cause of God in the regions beyond if faithful efforts were put forth in behalf of the foreigners in our home land. Many might return to the places from which they came. They could search out their kin folks and neighbors and communicate their knowledge of the third angel's message to them."—Mrs. E. G. White in Correspondence with Elder O. A. Olsen.

It is an interesting fact that when the war broke out foreigners were returning to their homeland at the rate of two hundred thousand annually. And as proof of the possibilities

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in reaching other lands by the conversion of the foreigners in America, we quote the following: "Not long ago a Chinese pastor in New York City, said that when he was in China he was in a meeting where fifty Chinese preachers of the gospel were gathered, and on taking an expression it was found that twenty-five of them were converted in the United States." At another time it was found that of the thirteen native assistants who labored in the mission stations at Canton, six were converted in California. It was doubtless such possibilities that Mr. Gladstone had in mind when he said, "I incline to think that the future of America is of greater importance to Christendom at large than that of any other country."

Some years ago a lady in Chicago was distributing tracts in the depot. A foreigner was sitting nearby trying to read the time table. Though she could not talk with him she managed to get the information he wanted, and handed him a little English tract. While he could not read the tract, he put it in his pocket, and some months later, while working in the salmon fisheries in the northwest, he asked a fellow-workman to read it to him. Learning that it was a tract on the Sabbath he became interested and attended one of our nearest churches, and soon became a Seventh-day Adventist. Later he went back to his home in Scandinavia and entered the colporteur work. After working faithfully in one locality he was placed in another field, and after fifteen years went back to his first place of labor and found many keeping the Sabbath. Some time later he was put in charge of the colporteur work in that section. Where we have one experience like this we ought to have hundreds.

E. R. NUMBERS

We must be as courteous to a man as to a picture, which we are willing to give the advantage of a good light.—Emerson.



A Week of Magnificent Possibilities

As in the tiny acorn there lies concealed the majestic form of the mighty oak, so within the radius of one weekly cycle of time there are possibilities of vast and far-reaching results from apparently feeble human effort, which will live throughout eternity. Let us consider what the HOME MISSIONARY BIG WEEK of April 8-14 is to accomplish.

First: It will accomplish the placing of thousands of books and periodicals before the reading public in the United States and Canada.

Second: It will bring those who know the truth for this day and generation into contact with those who know it not, in a manner to be of mutual and permanent benefit.

Third: It will provide funds with which to furnish the printed page of truth to millions in mission lands, which is fulfilment of the Lord's plan as stated a number of years ago by Mrs. E. G. White: "I have been shown that our publications should be printed in different languages and sent to every civilized country, at any cost. What is the value of money at this time, in comparison with the value of souls?"

So—

In all kinds of weather

Let us all work together

And see what we can do;

You do the task assigned to you,

And I'll do the task assigned to me,

In no time at all

We'll reach our goal

For the *Missions Publishing Fund*.

"The man who cannot be practical, and mix his religion with his business, is either in the wrong religion or in the wrong business."

Get ready for the new Missionary Volunteer Reading Course! How? Why finish up the course you are now reading, and begin at once to save money for the books in the new course soon to be launched.