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"And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; there stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia and help us. And after he had seen the vision, immediately we endeavoured to go into Macedonia." Acts 16:9, 10.

The Class 1925 takes as its aim a phrase that rings with the missionary spirit. It implies first of all a vision of the world field today; secondly, the distinctive message demanded by the situation; and last, but far from the least, the qualifications required of those who bear the message.

The Vision of the World Field Today

"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 5:35. The way is prepared for world-wide work in one generation. God's holy word is translated into over 770 languages, and is thus available to 98% of earth's inhabitants. Science and commerce have bound all nations together in mutual dependence; travel is quick and communication cheap and well nigh universal. Lands that for ages have locked their doors in the face of all foreign intrusion, are now open for the message of heaven. Tyrannical governments have been destroyed in lands where gospel freedom was forbidden. Every facility lies ready to the hand of God's workmen. But the enemy is busy. It is an age of turmoil and fear, of hatred and worldliness. Crime, insanity and disease continue to increase their diabolical conquests. The Christian church is rent with an internal conflict over the very foundation truth of her existence. And all the while the sob of waiting millions sounds in the ears of God.

The Distinctive Message Demanded by the Situation

The church at large does not regard the signs of the times nor give a message appropriate to the hour. In every age God has sent a message to men to meet the world's need. Thus He did in the days of Noah, of Abraham, of John the Baptist, and thus He is doing today. This wonderful message is summed up in the proclamation of the three mighty angels of the fourteenth chapter of Revelation. Here is a message to meet every requirement of the situation. The Judgment Hour—Crime, Lawlessness, Abounding Iniquity. Halt! and Beware! A Count that cannot be corrupted and a Judge who is Eternal Justice. A call to the fallen church to put on the beautiful garments of Christ's righteousness and prepare herself and others for the marriage supper of the Lamb; the authenticity of the Scriptures and the justification of sinners only and solely through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ's finished work on the Cross; He is soon to return and cap the climax of the ages with the kingdom that shall never pass away; a

message of hope and reform and salvation for all the world.

The Qualification Required of Those who Bear the Message

The time we live in and the message we bear all call for the best we have. Our preparation should include (a) a knowledge of God; (b) a knowledge of men; (c) and a knowledge of books. We must know the message, the Person we proclaim: "This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent." This knowledge comes through prayer and study of God's word. Too many know about Christ, they do not know Christ, "whom to know is life eternal." We must study the Bible for ourselves. It was written that we through comfort of the Scriptures might have hope.

"We search the world for truth; we cull
The good, the pure, the beautiful
From graven stone and written scroll,
From all the flower fields of the soul;
And weary seekers of the best,
We come back laden from our quest,
To find that all the sages said
Is in the Book our mothers read."

And we must adapt ourselves to men as they are. 1 Cor. 9:19-23. We must study men—have confidence in men—have hope in men. When we come to see in our fellow men, however situated, the purchase of the blood of Christ and their infinite possibilities through the endless ages of eternity, the human soul takes on a dignity we cannot despise.

A knowledge of books as wide as we safely can acquire is indispensable. Many today worship the intellect, and make a fetish out of scholasticism. This leads to modernism and the deification of man. A diploma in itself amounts to little, and far too many feel that its reception is the very end and aim of life. Make it just the beginning. 1 Cor. 26:29. It will take more than polish to slip through the gates of the New Jerusalem and more than brains to finish the third angel's message. Class of 1925, may God help you to make Christ first, and last, and best in everything. You now go forth from the sheltering arms of your Alma Mater into the world's larger school; you have "Not Finished" but "Just Begun". When at last earth's preparatory course is completed and all mistakes in the examinations blotted out by the Great Teacher's blood, when the New Jerusalem University opens its gates of pearl and golden streets reflect the white robed throngs, may you with that other great student missionary reap the reward of Constancy and say with him then, "I have not been disobedient to the heavenly vision."

CHRIST'S PLAN OF WORLD CONQUEST

Jesus Christ had a very simple plan for the conquest of the world. He laid out no campaign that called for the blare of trumpets and the noise of battle. He conceived no elaborate scheme of action to be put into operation after he had gone. He had only this one method of world conquest for Christianity to suggest, "Let every Christian be a missionary."

He brushed aside all talk of restoring a temporal power here on this earth. He disregarded the plans of His disciples for pomp and ceremony. He merely said, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto Me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

And His disciples did receive power. And they took His instructions seriously and to heart.

The result: Christianity spread rapidly. His followers insisted upon buttonholing every body they met and telling them about their wonderful Master. And because the disciples of that time used that simple formula for all those who were converted (every Christian a missionary), the church of Christ has become the greatest and most powerful influence in the world today.

But what about missionary work and missions in this twentieth century? Are we taking as seriously as we should the instructions of the Master of long ago?

Most of us are good missionaries by proxy. With willingness and gladness and eagerness we hire other folks to do our missionarying for us. We send them to Greenland's icy mountains and India's coral strand and down into the slums of our home town. And we bid them Godspeed and even make sacrifices and scrape together the where-withal to support them.

But how many of us are real good missionaries ourselves? We of the twentieth century are just a little bit inclined to dodge the issue. We talk about living for Christ, and we say earnestly and with pretty good logic that the best way to win a man is to live such a life that he may see our Christianity reflected in our character, and desire to be like us.

This is all very well as far as it goes, but it does not go far enough. At least Christ did not feel that it went far enough. He was not satisfied just to live—as He did live—a

perfect life among His neighbors. He was not satisfied with setting for them a model of purity in character and perfection in daily living. He must needs go farther and talk religion to folks.

We must do the same.

We must practise personal evangelism.

Personal evangelism has gone somewhat out of style in the Christian world today. Someway we are likely to get so interested in great world movements and billion-dollar missionary drives that we forget that all the movements and the drives in the world will come to naught unless the spirit of personal evangelism inspires them.

And personal religion is practical religion—furthermore, it is the spirit of missions, the call to missions. It is the real Missionary Volunteer aim going to work to do and to preach, to talk and to live the gospel of Jesus Christ.—*Church Officers' Gazette*.

HE DIDN'T WANT TO DO IT

Jonah was invited by the Lord to go and canvass the city of Nineveh. It was not an easy job. The people of the city were very wicked. The message to be carried to that people was to be a savour of life unto life or of death unto death, and Jonah was the man chosen to go. He thought of the difficulties and the seeming impossibilities of his commission. It seemed a fruitless mission. Anyhow there were hardships he did not wish to face. He then looked around for something with which to ease his conscience and furnish him a good excuse for not going. "Why, there is a ship going to Tarshish! There is plenty of work in that district in the lumber woods, for it is a ship-building town." His ticket was purchased, his birth secured, and to bed he went.

"If, when the call first came to him, Jonah had stopped to consider calmly, he might have known how foolish would be any effort on his part to escape the responsibility placed upon him." "*Prophets and Kings*," page 267. But, like many modern Jonahs, he was determined to have his own way. It placed him where he had to pass through a terrible experience, and Jonah was forced to call upon God even while he was disobeying him. "But the prayers of the man who had turned aside from the path of duty, brought no help." At last Jonah had learned that "Salvation belongeth unto the

Lord." With penitence and recognition of the saving grace of God, came deliverance.

Once more the servant of God was commissioned to warn Nineveh. This time he did not stop to question or doubt but obeyed unhesitatingly. He "arose and went." The result was that in less than three days the whole city had been canvassed. A wonderful change had been wrought. More than one hundred and twenty thousand people had been saved from destruction.

There are a billion and a half of people in this world today who are heading for destruction, and many of them are our own kinfolk. What are we doing for them? We have received our commission from the Lord. We have given the excuses for not carrying it out. So the farmer says, "I am working for the Lord on the farm." The mechanic in the shop, the clerk in the store, and in fact men in all walks of life are saying the same thing.

A few in Eastern Canada are making the call of God of more importance than anything else in this world. If they will continue to do this the Lord will make them of just as much importance as they made the commission. The Lord said, "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the scriptures." *Colporteur Evangelist*, page 80. This does not refer to the different occupations of life, but to different departments of the Lord's work.

Where are the brethren and sisters who have had experience in the colporteur work and have given it up? Why are you not engaged in it today? Do you think the work you are doing of more importance than this life-saving work? This most important work calls for men who have fully given their hearts to God, men of courage who are not double hearted, and who will not break their ranks.

"God has workmen in every age. The call of the hour is answered by the coming of the man. Thus when the divine voice cries, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' the response will come, 'Here am I send me.'"—*Colporteur Evangelist*, page 26, 27.

Report for service, brethren. "A great and important work is before us. The enemy of souls realizes this, and he is using every means in his power to lead the canvasser to take up some other line of work. This order of things should be changed. God calls the canvassers back to their work. Who will respond to the

call?" Write to the field secretary of your conference for particulars of territory available. Take God at His word, His commission is urgent, and His reward is sure.

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CAMP-MEETING HELP

The General Conference has planned to give us efficient and experienced help for our annual meeting. Every indication points to a record attendance, and we trust every reader of the MESSENGER in our constituency will do his best to meet with God's people this year.

The General Conference representatives who are assigned to this field are: Professor M. E. Cady, Elders J. S. James, L. A. Hansen, and L. F. Passebois. Professor Cady is one of our leading educationalists, and his long experience as a leader makes him qualified to give valuable and proficient instruction to our young people. Elder James has spent a number of years in India, which assures us earnest and soul-stirring appeals to enter the opening providences of God for the speedy finishing of His work. Elder Hansen is the editor of *Life and Health*, and a strong exponent of our health principles. He will give quite a series of practical studies on Health Reform. Elder Passebois needs no introduction to our membership.

Besides the above-mentioned workers there will be a strong line-up of experienced ministers: Elders McVagh, Lane, Wilson, W. C. Young, who has recently come to our field, and the other local workers.

As we approach the close of probation it is imperative we get the help and spiritual uplift obtainable at our camp-meetings. The help to be derived depends on our attitude. Let us be determined under God to experience His cleansing power, and burdened with his burden for the salvation of the lost do our utmost for their recovery.

D. J. C. BARRETT

ROOMS FOR THE ONTARIO CAMP-MEETING

Applications for rooms for the Ontario Camp-meeting should be sent at once to L. N. Holm, Oshawa Missionary College, Oshawa, Ontario. These applications will be filled in

the order in which they are received. There are available in the Dormitory about thirty-five rooms. Five additional rooms can be provided in other buildings on the campus. These rooms are all furnished with table, chairs, dresser and bedstead with spring and mattress. No bedding can be furnished so it will be necessary for each one to bring bedding, pitchers for drinking water as it will be impossible to supply them.

The price will be the same as last year. \$3.50 for a single room, \$5 for room with two beds, \$4.25 for room with one bed and cot for the full time of Camp-meeting, and fifty cents a night for a person staying only part time. Where convenient the money should be sent with the application. A reply will be made to each application received.

Additional rooms will be provided within walking distance of the college, by the camp-meeting entertainment committee, and when all rooms available in the college buildings have been taken, the remaining applications will be given to this committee.

The meals will be served in the college dining room on the regular cafeteria plan. Be sure to send in your application at once.

L. N. HOLM

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER NEWS

Dear Young People:

To us has been given a solemn charge, "The Advent Message to all the World in This Generation." Our eyes must be fixed and our hearts set on the message of salvation and its glorious consummation, then the passion for souls will take possession of us and the vision of the poet will be realized, "Like a mighty army moves the church of God." When time shall close every child of God will be busily engaged in His work. Lest we miss the blessing and fail to sense the time and opportunities which are ours today, we must begin at once to work as never before in our lives for a spiritual revival.

The Ontario Camp-meeting will soon be here again. Let us not miss the blessing. We do feel sorry for those who could attend but do not. Why not set your plans today? It takes money and efforts perhaps, but it is worth it, for the thing which costs something is much more appreciated. Endeavor to meet your expenses by reaching souls with a number of *Canadian Watchman* or the new crisis book "Twelve Great Signs of Our Lord's Return."

One lady says "I sold 200 in four days. I thought the hard times would make it hard for selling, but I find out that I had the best success that I ever had in selling magazines. I am going to sell more as soon as I can get them."

Of course you will need this year's Reading Course set which to my mind is quite equal to that of last year's and therefore we wish to call your attention to the following list of books and their prices:

Senior Course

Missionary Adventures in Africa	\$1.85
Ups and Downs of Life	1.25
The Story of Abraham Lincoln	1.55
How We Got Our Bible	1.25
Complete set by mail	\$5.15
Complete set at camp-meeting	4.90

Junior Course

In the Lion Country	1.55
John Williams the Shipbuilder	1.25
Early Writings	1.55
Complete set by mail	\$3.90
Complete set at camp-meeting	3.70

Primary Course

Stories Mother Told	\$1.65
The Congo Picture Book	1.65
Complete set by mail	\$3.00
Complete set at camp-meeting	2.75

Books have a tremendous influence upon our lives. If we wish to have the enriched and competent life to do noble service we must fill our minds with the best this world can offer. As Juniors and Seniors desiring to be saved we hope to see you advance in every way possible and may God attend every feeble effort for Him.

F. E. THUMWOOD

SEED-SOWING

As I travel through the different counties in this part of the vineyard I notice the farmer making preparation for seed-sowing, first by breaking up the fallow ground with plough or disk which is mostly heavy work. Then comes the harrowing and rolling, next the drilling, and as the seed grows the cultivator is then used, and the rain gives it tender care. Eventually it is greeted by a large number of hands to harvest and thresh and the grain taken to the barn. Somehow I have been reminded of the preparation for the eternal garner. First comes the heavy or large books such as "Bible

Readings" and "Home Physician," then the smaller books, and next a tent effort or a Bible worker to introduce the Sabbath School Quarterly and to cultivate with periodicals, while it is nurtured by the rain of the Holy Spirit until the harvest, when a large company of angels will do the reaping and threshing for eternity. Just as the farmer family all rejoice at the harvest God hath said "both the sower will finally rejoice with him who reaps." John 4:36.

"To every man God has appointed his work, not work in the field of corn and wheat, but earnest, persevering work for the salvation of souls." *Colporteur Evangelist*.

Let us think of the needs of the field today and take up our part just where the Master needs us most, whether breaking up fallow ground with large books or cultivating with the magazine, for both have a wide territory for circulation. One colporteur says "The large book is just the thing for this territory and I received \$100.00 for the week's work." Another has just said "I sold \$50.00 of 'Best Stories' today," while yet another says, "I put in one day and received 14 subscriptions to the *Canadian Watchman*."

We are thankful to report a number of student colporteurs planning to enter the field soon. Our prayers are for their success and that others may join them and get close to the Lord as "they plough the fields and scatter the good seed on the land."

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CAMP-MEETING

At the Conference session at Memramcook last year, a resolution was adopted that instead of one central camp-meeting this year, we should hold two meetings, one to be in New Brunswick and the other in Nova Scotia. The Conference Committee having this matter under advisement, decided to call one meeting at St. John, N. B. and the other at Halifax, N. S.—one in the spring and the other in the autumn. The first is the meeting at St. John beginning Tuesday night, July 7 and closing Sunday night, July 12.

The meetings will be held in the central hall of the Orange Lodge on Germaine Street. This meeting will immediately follow the Ontario Camp-meeting which closes Sunday night, July 5, giving time for the Union and General Conference help to arrive at the St. John meeting, at the beginning and remain through, so we expect to have a good number of ministers from without, from beginning to end.

A committee will be in charge of the rooming arrangements, securing rooms at the least possible rate. The rates should not be high inasmuch as instead of being part of two weeks it will be only for one week, from Tuesday to the following Monday. There will be no conference arrangements for dining, each one looking out for himself. There are plenty of restaurants if a warm meal is needed, but coming in midsummer it will not be necessary so often.

We are anxious to make this meeting a great spiritual uplift to our people, especially those who are isolated or in small companies infrequently visited by a minister. We urge all such to come wherever possible. We understand that as a rule haying does not come in New Brunswick until about the middle of July, so the meeting has been placed just before haying unless the haying season is early this year. However, our brethren could plan to begin their haying the first of the week following July 12 no doubt.

We hope those having automobiles will use them, and bring their families to this meeting. There is a good number of new Sabbath keepers in St. John with whom you will wish to become acquainted, and they will be glad to meet the older Sabbath keepers who have been holding the ropes these years, and making it possible by their support of the work to bring these new ones in.

It is time to begin to plan if you have not already done so, and we trust that the Lord will greatly prosper you in your endeavor to join us in a great, spiritual feast which we believe awaits us at St. John, July 7-12. Detailed directions will appear in later issues of the MESSENGER.

F. W. STRAY

HALIFAX "HOME NURSING CLASS"

The Home Nursing Class which was organized in our church, 19 Parker St., Halifax, N. S., by Mrs. Dr. P. A. Gough had its closing meeting on Thursday, May 14. This class was under the direction of the Red Cross

Society of this city. Dr. Kirkpatrick and Miss Mary Hayden, R. N. were the instructors. This was said to be the largest Home Nursing Class in the city. Out of a membership of thirty-two, twenty-seven received a Red Cross Society Home Nursing Certificate. This class met every Thursday in our Church Hall, and the splendid results were largely due to the untiring efforts, and faithful leadership of Sister Gough, who gave much of her time to this work.

A splendid closing programme was arranged by the President, who gave the opening address, and also awarded the successful members of the class their certificates. Dr. Kirkpatrick gave an interesting address, and also encouraged the class to continue in the good work. One of the strong points that he emphasized was, that it is the little things in life that count, and that are important; such as helping the neighbors in emergencies, and teaching those who need our help in caring for the sick and afflicted. He said that God intended that we should live clean, pure, sweet, and helpful lives.

Miss Davidson, a Dominion Red Cross organizer, said that she was well pleased with the success of the class, and related to us the reason why the Red Cross Society had organized these Home Nursing Classes. She said that the society saw a need of helping the people in their homes. To illustrate this point she related an actual experience that came under her notice. She told of a doctor calling at a home where the husband was sick with pneumonia. He left directions with the wife to put a hot poultice on his chest every hour for twelve hours or till he returned. When he called he found that she had carried out his instructions. He found twelve poultices, one on top of the other. She had done what he said. You can see the need of going into the homes and helping the people. She urged the class to organize again in the fall, and continue the class work.

Miss Mary Hayden of the Massachusetts Health Centre, Halifax, N. S., said:

"In addressing this class in Home Nursing, taught from the Canadian Red Cross Nursing Manual, who are receiving their merited certificates this evening, it seemed appropriate to tell of the Nova Scotia Branch in our midst.

"Many know of the various beneficent works of this helpful organization, but it is thought few know of the Port Nursery at Pier Two in this city. Therefore, I shall briefly quote excerpts from the report of the Convener, Mrs. P. J. MacManus.

"This has been a very busy year for your Port Committee. Passenger ships have been coming to this Port all the year instead of only during the winter months as previously. On the arrival of these ships, the Nursery and Rest Room have been open, with a committee of ladies in attendance to care for the women and children. The number of ladies present varies from 2 to 8, according to the number of passengers landed, as does also the length of time on duty, it may be three hours or it may be 12 or 14 hours. But your committee is an enthusiastic one, and takes a keen personal interest in the work which makes it a labor of love, and the gratitude of the people for the kindness shown them is sufficient reward.

"During the year 1924-1925 the —

No. of ships met were	128
No. of women receiving attention	1131
No. of children receiving attention	803
No. of infants receiving attention	226
No. of treatments given	293
No. of follow-up cards	275
No. of welcome cards	1058
No. of Mothers' Books or little Blue Books	842

"Women arrive from the ships sometimes with two babies in their arms, and often with many other children. The foreigners among them are suspicious and wonder what is going to happen to them. Almost immediately they see the Red Cross flag and are taken into the nursery, where the committee helps them with the children, gives them light refreshments, attends to any minor injuries, or ailments, and in this way soon gains their confidence.

"A striking incident which emphasizes the value of this work is the case of Elias Bauckus and his family enroute from Assyria to Western Canada. On their arrival at Halifax Mrs. Bauckus who was ill, was admitted to the Victoria General Hospital where she suffered a paralytic stroke. Now came the trouble. While the entire family of four were eligible to enter Canada as far as money was concerned, would the mother, because of her paralyzed condition, be considered an undesirable? The Red Cross took the matter up with Ottawa and permission was finally granted for her to remain. In the meantime the two children had been sent forward with an aunt who had accompanied them. Just as soon as Mrs. Bauckus was able to travel, arrangements for her transportation had to be made. Neither she or her husband spoke a word of English. Again the Red Cross came to their aid, money

was changed to Canadian currency, tickets changed from Colonist to First Class, and the Drawing Room secured where the sick woman could have privacy.

"This trip emphasized the National aspect of the Red Cross. Due to telegrams from here, the trains were met at Montreal, and Winnipeg where changes had to be made, by Red Cross representatives with stretchers and other articles of comfort, and her removal from one train to another was accomplished with the least possible discomfort. Letters were received after their arrival in North Battleford, expressing much appreciation of the many kindnesses and assistance shown them."

"To the Class, may I say it was a pleasure to have been your instructress, your courteous and interested attention making the last activity of a sometimes very weary day, an inspiration rather than a task, and I wish you little need for the use of such knowledge acquired, but feel sure should occasion arise, your technique will be a credit to your teachers and yourselves."

The writer said that he appreciated the work that the Red Cross was endeavoring to do, and was very thankful to Dr. Kirkpatrick, and Miss Hayden, and others for the interest they had taken in the class, and for their excellent help. This very work is a part of the gospel commission,—to care for the sick, clothe the naked, and feed the hungry. We as a people thoroughly believe in this work. We have world-famed sanitariums, hospitals, institutions, doctors, and nurses who not only care for the sick but endeavor to teach their patients how to keep well. Was glad to say that one of the class had had an opportunity to help a neighbour. Mrs. Capman had gone to a neighbor who had sprained her ankle, and treated it with hot and cold water so that in a few days the woman was walking again. We plan to continue this line of Christian help work, and hope that another class can be organized in the fall.

At the close of the programme, on behalf of the class Miss McDiarmid read an appropriate address, (prepared by Mr. F. Hayward) and Mrs. Hayward made the presentation of a beautiful bouquet of carnations. Sister Gough gracefully replied by expressing her heart-felt thankfulness and joy in her winter's work with the class. We pray that the Lord will bless the Halifax Home Nursing Class of the Adventist Church, 19 Parker St.

J. CAPMAN

IN TWO LANGUAGES

The new medical book "Home Physician and Guide to Health" which is having such a phenomenal sale in Canada is being translated and will soon be ready for circulation in the German language. In view of the large population of German speaking people in Western Canada the Publishing House is importing a quantity of this book in signatures and will bind here in our own factory the books that will be sold in the Dominion. Our colporteurs and others who are interested in "Home Physician" will be glad to know that this book will be ready by July 1 in the German. It will be issued in two bindings only, cloth and keratol. Government statistics show that there are quite a number of German speaking people in sections of Eastern Canada and we should not pass by these good people without endeavouring to secure their orders for our literature.

H. H. RANS

THE SEVEN STEPS

Did you ever stop to consider seriously the amazing condescension of our Saviour in saving man? There are seven steps that He took in His downward course. "Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: and being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." Philippians 2:6-8.

Notice the steps:

First step: "Made Himself of no reputation."

Second step: "Took upon Him the form of a servant."

Third step: "Made in the likeness of men."

Fourth step: "Found in fashion as a man."

Fifth step: "Humbled Himself."

Sixth step: "Became obedient unto death."

Seventh step: "Even the death of the cross."

All this humiliation of our Saviour was that we might be exalted as He was exalted, and sit with Him on the throne of power through eternal ages.

—G. B. Thompson

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OBITUARIES

KNISTER—Louisa Smith was born at Ruscomb, Ontario, August 17, 1851, and died May 14, 1925, being in her seventy-fourth year. On September 5, 1878 she was united in marriage with Conrad Knister. To this union were born five children, two of whom are deceased. At the age of seventeen she joined the Methodist Church and remained with that body until the truth of the Third Angel's Message was brought to her by her mother Mrs. Emily Smith. In 1891 Elders Eugene Leland and A. O. Burrill were sent to Ruscomb by the Michigan Conference. Under their labors the Albuna Church was raised up. Sister Knister and her husband were charter members of this, the first Seventh-day Adventist Church in Ontario, and in their hospitable home the workers have always found a welcome.

In the church Sister Knister was a faithful worker, and never lost an opportunity of speaking a word in season to both old and young. In the neighborhood her help by the bedside was greatly appreciated. She loved to relieve the sick and the suffering, and many were the watchful hours she spent with those who needed her assistance. She remained true to the message and died with a firm hope in God. The funeral services were conducted by Elder Wm. Wasell of London, assisted by Mr. Keyes, the Methodist minister of Ruscomb. A large and sympathizing company of friends and neighbors gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to one who had served faithfully among them. She was laid to rest in the Albuna Cemetery to await the call of the Life-giver.

CHARLES SWEETEN

BARTHOLOMEW.—There passed away at Halifax, N. S., one of the most noble, refined, and educated women that I have ever met. She was the wife of Captain Robert Bartholomew, editor of the "Nova Scotian." Mrs. Bartholomew was born in Kentucky, of rich parents. She was christened in the arms of General Lee, and at one time was a millionairess, but through the mismanagement, and mistakes of others she lost most of her fortune. She had a large circle of friends and acquaintances, among whom she will be missed.

She was attracted to our meetings by an advertisement announcing our Sunday night meetings in our church, at 19 Parker St. The add read as follows. "Where Are the Dead Today?—If you would really like to know what the Bible teaches, hear Mr. Capman. He does not give you his ideas, but tells you what the Scriptures say." She came and listened very attentively, and at the close of the service made an appointment to meet us at our home. We studied further about the condition of man in death, and she saw clearly that death is likened to a sleep, and that when Jesus returns there will be a resurrection of the righteous dead.

From that time on she continued to attend the meetings, and to study the Bible with us until she was taken seriously sick, and died a few days ago. Before her death she sent for us and asked us to pray for her that she might be healed. She said that if God would restore her to health and strength again she would gladly devote her life to His service. She believed that we were teaching the Bible, and that we had the truth for this time. She wanted to be baptized, and to unite with us. God did not raise her up, but she passed away believing in Him. The last words the writer heard her say, were that Jesus was soon coming to take us home.

The writer conducted the funeral service, and her husband has taken her to her home in the south for burial. Her life is hid with God. She leaves a husband and one son to mourn.

JOSEPH CAPMAN

COLPORTEUR REPORT QUEBEC CONFERENCE May, 1925

Colporteur	Bk.	Hrs.	Or.	Value	Helps	Total
Mrs. Bradley	HP		3	24.00		24.00
J. H. Crooks	HP		8	70.00		70.00
Mrs. Scullion	BF		2	7.00		7.00
Mrs. Yalor	CW			75.00		75.00
Totals			13	176.00		176.00

MERE PROFESSION INSUFFICIENT

"The world's need of Christianity" is one of the commonest and the most oft repeated phrases of the hour.

Without any question, each individual in all this world needs Christianity. He needs the Lord Jesus Christ. But the Christianity that Christ offers cannot be forced upon men. It may be urged upon them; they may be exhorted to receive it; but unless they will accept it of their own free will, they cannot possess what the Lord has to offer.

The Saviour invites, "Come unto Me;" and he says that "whosoever will," may come; but there is no clattering of religious machinery that can bring the Lord Jesus Christ into the heart of a single individual unless the soul is open to receive Him.

Multitudes of people make a profession of Christ, but know nothing whatever of His saving power. They do not know Him as a personal, transforming Redeemer; and to all this class, the Lord Jesus Himself sends this startling message: "Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of My Father who is in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy by Thy name, and by Thy name cast out demons, and by Thy name do many mighty works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity." Matthew 7:21-23.