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DRIFTING.

A. E. BATES.

If on the surging stream of life,
No treacherous shoal nor rock,
No boisterous waves nor stormy tide,
Disturbed our fragil bark,
I fear we then would slumber on,
And drift upon the shore;
And thus in drifting from our God,
Be lost forever more.

But God permits upon the stream,
A wave of trouble dark,
To threaten, tho' not overcome
Our helpless, feeble bark;
If then we'll turn our faces up,
And say, "Teach us thy will,"
He'll stay the raging of the wave
In saying, "Peace be still."

RESULTS FROM CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSON WORK.

TESTIMONIES VOL. 6.

"Through the work for the relief of our schools a fourfold blessing will be realized—a blessing to the schools, to the world, to the church and to the workers.

"While funds are gathered for the relief of the schools, the best reading matter is being placed in the hands of a large number of people.

"There are souls in desolate places who will be reached by this effort.

"It is the Lord's design that Christ's Object Lessons, with its precious instructions shall unify the believer.

"Very many, through the training received in this work, will learn how to canvass for our larger books, which the people need so much.

"The Lord does not force any to engage in his work, but to those who place themselves decidedly on his side he will give a willing mind.

"As they seek the Lord for help He will communicate with them.

"They will receive plans devised by the Lord himself.

"All that is done, brings to light how much more still remains to be done.

"Light is given to the intellect, determination to the will, sensitiveness to the conscience, purity to the imagination.

"When the work pointed out has been fully accomplished, He will indicate to us what to do next.

"Until in heaven is spoken the word, 'It is finished,' there will always be places for labor, and hearts to receive the message.

"As long as probation continues, there will be opportunity for the canvasser to work."

Please read the above quotations again and meditate upon them.

C. A. BEESON.

BRANCH SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

How often we hear young people express a desire to "go some where and do missionary work," forgetting the fact that the missionary work which they can best do is right where they are. The planning of active missionary work in the home, in the neighborhood, in the town or city where they live is the first work to be considered by all who desire to become missionaries. The Spirit of the Lord has pointed out an opportunity which many are passing by: "There is a most precious missionary field in the Sabbath-school." By the organization of "Branch" schools, thus spreading the truth to other homes, it has been proven that the Sabbath-school work need not be confined to the members of our own church. Branch Sabbath-school work is ideal work for young people. These schools are held for the children of those not of our faith, and can be conducted wherever a few children can be brought together. In one city one hundred and forty children were brought into various branch schools which were conducted almost wholly by young people of our church. The result of this work were most satisfactory.

Busy mothers have gathered the children of the neighborhood into their homes on Sabbath afternoons, and taught them the Sabbath-school lessons. The following from a sister who began the work with but a few children will reveal the possibilities in this direction: "Our Branch Sabbath-school has gone far beyond anything we had looked for. Last Sabbath we had an attendance of forty-two. I am having some blessed experiences that give a deeper joy than anything the world can give. It means hard work, oh, yes, for every Sabbath we have to go out and bring them in, but the Lord has richly rewarded our efforts. I am becoming acquainted with many of my neighbors whom I would probably not have met in any other way, and almost without exception they are warm friends. Some of the parents, men as well as women, say they are coming to our Sabbath-school. Of course I am glad to extend to them a hearty welcome. The school is held at my home Sabbath afternoons, at four o'clock."

Does not that experience seem a complete fulfilment of the words: "Parents who can be approached in no other

way are frequently reached through their children. Sabbath-school teachers can instruct the children in the truth, and they will in turn take it into the home circle." Are there not many who wish to do missionary work who will try this plan? There are two young ladies in different locations in the south, who are all alone in the truth, and they each have a fine school. The attendance of each average fifteen children. What a wonderful factor in spreading the truth this Branch Sabbath-school work might be, if it were taken up by every church, and as far as possible in every home. These little schools would become centers of light reflecting truth to all who come within its influence. The light from such schools would form no small part of that great light which fills the whole earth with its glory.

The experience gained by the workers is of incalculable value. One of our ministers who became interested in the work in his home school says: "Nearly all the members of our regular school have something to do in Branch Sabbath-school work. Even the children seem to feel a responsibility in bringing others to the schools. I do not know of anything that we have taken hold of yet that has in it the possibility of developing workers that this work has."

We all rejoice because of the success of this work. It means the development of workers, and the spreading of the message.

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

THE SITUATION IN BARBADOS.

Affairs are in a most terrible state just now, in this poor, stricken, quivering, throbbing isle of the sea. Ruin stares the whole West Indies in the face, owing to the sugar crisis. Every estate is being worked at a heavy loss, and complete ruin, panic, and starvation have only been averted by imperial grants and loans. Many formerly well-to-do and even wealthy people have been ruined, and the suffering of the masses is entirely beyond description.

All this is now intensified by an epidemic of small pox that is raging. The community seems to be hopelessly in the clutches of the dread disease. There are now more than one hundred cases, and a number of new ones develop daily. Deaths are frequent, and the bodies are thrown into the sea. The people are very ignorant of the disease. They hide their friends who take it, thus spreading it, and mob the doctors and the sanitary officers who try to take the patients from them to the pest-house. O, that we might be able to point them to the only source of complete deliverance; but alas! so few will listen to the message of hope.

All our canvassers are at present in Barbados, and of course are shut up here with nothing to do, and we do not know when they will be able to get away, as no other colony will allow any one from Barbados to land. Our meager means is all that stands between some of our own people and starvation. It is only a drop in the bucket, compared with the misery, but as far as it goes is dedicated to the cause of the Master, in the persons of his suffering ones. Our people throughout the States, many of them lacking nothing, on their fruitful farms, or earning good wages, would pour out of their means to help the cause in these needy fields, if they could see and hear what we do.

Brethren, it drives sleep from our eyes as we realize that within a radius of a mile from our home many thousands are enduring the most crying want, hunger and sickness, and we are powerless to help them. Words are absolutely inadequate to describe the existing conditions here. We are sent for from all directions by total strangers, to pray for and with them in their wretchedness and misery. Last night we responded to two such calls after dark, and what

we saw will never fade from our minds: nine persons, some of them sick, were crowded together in one hovel eight by nine feet—and this is only one of thousands of similar circumstances. Dark, narrow, foul-smelling alleys, literally swarming with human beings, beings for whom Christ died and whom God loves, some of whom we are snatching as brands from the burning, to be trophies of his saving grace and power.

None of our people have taken the disease so far, and we are hoping and praying to be spared to the honor and glory of his name and cause. I am glad to say that despite all these forbidding circumstances, our work is prospering and making some advancement. The church-members are almost all earnest and active in the various lines of church missionary work. No phase of our work has as yet been interrupted. The church is packed, and surrounded by interested listeners on Sunday nights, and some are deciding almost every week to obey God, and many more are studying. There will be quite a large class to be baptized at the next quarterly meeting.

W. A. SWEANY.

This letter from Brother Sweany only shows one phase of the experience of our missionaries. By faithfully using our little envelopes each week, we may share in this glorious work of giving the message of deliverance and hope to these benighted souls.

MISSION BOARD.

OUR CHILDREN AS MISSIONARIES.

Nearly all great missionaries began their missionary career when they were children. We have been looking forward to the time when God would in a special manner use our children to proclaim the truth. But we may be sure that in that time God will select those whom we have already been encouraging to do missionary work as far as they were able and had opportunity. The children all over the land are taking hold of the selling of the Life Boat with the greatest enthusiasm and determination. Is it not possible that this is a providential opening for the children of this denomination to become initiated into missionary experiences.

One mother said as she was being urged to allow her daughter to sell Life Boats, "I fear what will happen to her if I do." But we fear more what will happen to our children if they do not begin as never before some decided missionary enterprises. Something has been happening to our children for years. Thousands of them have drifted into the world because it presented something to them that they could do. We have been slow to put something in their hands that they could do for God and humanity. The children of this generation are wiser than the children of light. There are ten thousand children in this denomination who could sell five Life Boats a month almost as easily as they could carry their lunch basket to school, and this would make a disposal of fifty thousand Life Boats and who can measure the good they might accomplish for the world and for our children while they are selling them. "Where no wood is there the fire goeth out." If we do not arise up and supply our children with missionary fuel, we need not be surprised if the missionary fire dies out. Send for a liberal supply of Life Boats at two cents a copy. Give your children intelligent instruction as to what places it is proper for them to visit. Pray with them before they start out and in almost all instances they will return with animated reports and anxious to do something more.

Parents are writing us about what a blessing it has been to their children. The October Life Boat is to be far the best number that has ever been issued. Send for a liberal quantity and if your children do not succeed in selling them all, then dispose of them yourself.

DAVID PAULSON, M. D.

"Things Foretold," is the title of a new book for the children. Interesting talks for the youth. Price 50 cents.

Brother N. P. Dixon is in the city assisting the members of the Topeka church in the sale of Christ's Object Lessons.

"Outlines of Modern Science and Modern Christianity," is a new book just from the press. A grand book logically presenting the true principles of Christianity and science in contrast with modern ideas of Christian science. Cloth bound, 272 pages, 75 cents.

Brethren A. E. Bates and W. A. Shafer who were recommended to go to England, made a brief stop at this office last week. They expect to sail from New York, October 20. May the Lord bless these faithful young men as they labor in those distant fields.

"WHISKEY: Parables, Poems, Facts and Figures," is the title of a late 48 page tract by Elder D. E. Scoles. It is a most interesting and instructive booklet that has appeared in recent years upon the temperance question. Five cents each. Discount on quantities. Address Kansas Tract Society.

A VISITOR FOR FORTY-ONE YEARS.

"The Review and Herald" was the first real pioneer paper published by our denomination. Long and pleasant acquaintance makes warm and substantial friends. Thus we feel toward the Review—for forty-one years it has made weekly visits to our home—and while we now have many papers, each one filling a special field, yet none can equal or take the place of the good old Review. Its form has changed slightly several times, but in spirit it is the same true expositor of Bible truth. Let it be first in every Seventh-day Adventist home.

C. McREYNOLDS.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE.

To the Brethren of the Kansas Conference: In order that all moneys may get into the treasury of the Central Union Conference so that your state may receive proper credit for the same we urgently request that all moneys paid by individual members be paid to the proper church officers and that receipts be taken for the same. Church officers will then forward it to the treasurer of the Kansas Conference who will send it to the treasurer of the Central Union Conference, and the treasurer of the Central Union Conference will in turn forward it to H. M. Mitchell, treasurer of the General Conference, and by him it will be sent to the place for which it is intended.

Again I repeat that none should send money only through the proper channel.

Calls for means should also come through the proper channels, having the endorsement of either the State Conference, the Central Union Conference, or of the General Conference officers.

An institution or parties in a State or Union Conference should not appeal to the members of another Conference without the consent of the officers of the Conference in which such appeals are made.

There is a proper way of doing business, and in God's cause we ought to do every thing in order. Again I repeat, be careful to send funds through the proper channel, and consider whether the call for means comes through your Conference officers or whether it has their endorsement.

E. T. RUSSELL,

President Central Union Conference.

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A WORK FOR ALL TO DO.

As the Lord has given an abundant harvest throughout this state, all our people should improve the opportunity to sell all the books they can which contain present truth. Every one can do something. Some can sell the bound books, and others can obtain subscriptions for our good periodicals.

Can we count on you to assist in this good work? We are told, "If there is one work more important than another it is that of getting our publications before the people." If you will take hold of the work and do something you will be blessed in so doing, and you will place the light before others.

Brethren, shall we not act as children of light? Why not arise and shine? Why not do something, even though it may be but little to advance the work for this time? The call of the hour is to service. Will you answer the call and say "Here I am, send me?"

E. T. RUSSELL.

TWO MONTHS FREE.

To all who are not now subscribers to The Sentinel of Christian Liberty, but whose subscriptions are sent in soon, the publishers offer to send free the November and December issues of this year. Thus you get a fourteen months' subscription for \$1.

Plans have been, and are being laid, to make the 1903 Sentinel, the best volume ever issued. Articles already in hand can be announced as follows:

A. T. Jones' series on "The Supremacy of the Papacy" will continue to and including the March, 1903, number with the study of the past supremacy of the Papacy, and will continue then for two or three numbers on "The Working of the Papacy today toward supremacy again; how she will gain it, and the consequences.

J. O. Corliss has contributed a series on the "Relation of the State to Sabbath Observance," which will continue for three or four numbers. This will be followed by another series in which will be drawn a contrast between true and false governments, or the reign of God's government contrasted with that of man's."

G. B. Wheeler will have several articles on "Baptists and religious Liberty." Other articles from his pen will also appear.

W. A. Colcord, recently returned from Australia, W. E. Cornell, C. P. Bollman, W. N. Glenn and others will also contribute to the success of the 1903 volume of the Sentinel.

Subscription price \$1 per year.

Send your order to Kansas Tract Society, 821 W. 5th St., Topeka, Kansas.

OUR OFFERINGS FOR MISSIONS.

Envelopes for the weekly offerings have been supplied to all of our churches, as far as we have had calls direct from the church, or have been requested to send them by the State officers. We want to urge that not a single envelope be wasted. Let them be used faithfully and regularly. Put some offering into the envelope each week, however small.

Can we say it is too much to remember our missions each week? The needs of our workers in the home field are liberally provided for from the tithe, a regular income, while our missionaries in regions far more densely populated, with scarcely any facilities for work, and much more work to do, must depend upon our offerings, only too frequently given irregularly. Has the time not come to have a regular income for this most important phase of our work?

If every one in our churches will now plan to give regularly to this fund, our offerings for missions will be increased at least threefold. An average of ten cents a week for every Sabbath-keeper would bring in four times as much as we are now receiving, and mean a continual inflow into the treasury of one thousand dollars a day.

To accomplish this, none who are now giving should give less, but those who are not doing anything, or at most, very little, should take hold with a determination to support this work until the world has been warned and the Master has said, "It is finished." If the gift is only a penny but represents the widow's mite—"all her living"—the blessing of Jesus will go with it; for he still sits over against the treasury, noting the spirit with which we return to him of the bounties we enjoy at his hand.

Now as never before, if we share in this work until its final triumph, the one all-absorbing passion of our lives must be to give this message quickly to all the world; for not until then will Jesus come.

Intensity is taking possession of every earthly element. On every hand we see evidences that the final destruction of all things is at hand. But thank the Lord his people are falling into line, ready to obey his marching orders, "Go forward." Let us take heed lest we be left behind.

MISSION BOARD.

THE GREAT MOVE.

The time is here and the move is on. It is a call to every Seventh-day Adventist in Kansas. The time is set to do the work. The last book must go before the first of January, 1903. The workers have all been assigned to the places they are to work and the people who were at the camp-meeting all voted to go to work at once and sell the proportion of books that are assigned to them. In every church there are absent members, the question has been raised by many what will be done about the books these members should sell. The books that you sell over the number allotted to you will count on those and the books that the worker who is sent to help you will also count on them. Do not worry about that part of it now, go out and take orders for the four books you have allotted to you and by that time you will feel that it is a pleasure to go on and sell more and the books that are allotted to absent members will not trouble you much. Don't, Oh! don't wait till the minister comes to set you to work. He cannot go to two or three places at once. He will get around as fast as he can, but you can just as well have the work done in your church before he comes as not and then he will have time to do other work that will be ready for him to do in every place where the Object Lessons have been sold. Come now, brethren and sisters, you know that there has been but little effort made and not much said about this in Kansas and still about half of our quota of books are sold and paid for. Shall we fail to get the thing cleaned up be-

fore Christmas? Surely not. Three thousand people at work in one line at one time will make mountains move when they go out trusting in the arm of the Lord. You will see in another column how the workers are distributed over the state. We are sure that this move means a new vigor in the distribution of literature that will bring the message right into the homes of the people. Don't fail to read the article, "The Plan of Work." We have word from one sister who thought she could not sell a book who made two exhibitions of the book as she went home from camp-meeting and sold a book each time. C. McR.

THE WORK FOR THIS TIME.

"We are standing upon the threshold of great and solemn events. Prophecies are fulfilling. Strange, eventful history is being recorded in the books of heaven. Everything in our world is in agitation. There are wars, and rumors of wars. The nations are angry and the time of the dead has come, that they should be judged. Events are changing to bring about the day of God, which hasteth greatly. Only a moment of time, as it were, yet remains.

"When the storm of God's wrath breaks upon the world, it will be a terrible revelation for souls to find that their house is being swept away because it is built upon the sand. Let the warning be given them before it is too late. We should now feel the responsibility of laboring with intense earnestness to impart to others the truths that God has given for this time. We cannot be too much in earnest.

"The heart of God is moved. Souls are very precious in His sight. It was for this world that Christ wept in agony; for this world He was crucified. God gave His only begotten Son to save sinners, and He desires us to love others as he loved us. He desires to see those who have a knowledge of the truth imparting this knowledge to their fellow-men.

"Now is the time for the last warning to be given. There is a special power in the presentation of the truth at the present time; but how long will it continue? Only a little while. If there was ever a crisis, it is now." Vol. 6, pp. 14, 16.

TREASURER'S STATEMENT OF KANSAS SABBATH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1902.

Cash on hand June 30, 1901,	\$190 20
Tithes received from Sabbath Schools,	113 44
Donations for Missions,	577 87
Camp-meeting Donations,	48 46
Cash over,	14 08
Stamps on hand,	4 45
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	\$948 45

PAID OUT.

Foreign Mission Board,	\$454 44
Paid Kansas Conference,	212 33
Fundries, (supplies, etc.)	20 08
Railroad fare,	19 17
Kansas Tract Society,	23 49
Postage,	10 14
Salary to State Sabbath-school Secretary,	152 91
Cash on hand August 31, 1902,	50 84
Stamps " " " "	4 45
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	\$948 45

The cash, \$50 84 and stamps, \$4 45, have been this day turned over to the Treasurer of the Kansas Conference.

I have examined the books of the Treasurer of the Kansas Sabbath School Department, for the year ending August 31, 1902, and find the above statement is correct.

C. T. Cavaness, Auditor.

Topeka, Kansas, September 17, 1902.