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"In due season we shall reap, if we faint not"

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PETITION

Father, perfect Thy work ; I am the clay, Thou art
The sculptor wise.
Mold me by any plan to something better meet
For Thy pure eyes.
Father, hold Thou my hands,—impatient, eager hands,
Too ready far ;
Trying to aid Thee in this master work of Thine,
Only to mar.
Father, keep Thou my heart,—impulsive, restless, rash,—
Its passion still.
Make vain ambition, selfish thought, or longing will
Bend to Thy will.
Father, teach Thou my mind, still wayward, willful, blind,
And slow to learn ;
Amid its darkness, let the strong light of Thy truth
More clearly burn.

Selected.



HOME MISSIONARY WORK

AROUSE THE IDLERS

Souls are perishing out of Christ, and those who profess to be Christ's disciples are letting them die. Our brethren have talents entrusted to them for the very work of saving souls ; but some have bound these up in a napkin, and buried them in the earth. How much do such idlers resemble the angel who is represented as flying in the midst of heaven, proclaiming the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus? What manner of entreaty can be brought to bear upon the idlers that will arouse them to go to work for the Master? What can we say to the slothful church-member to make him realize the necessity of unearthing his talent, and putting it out to the exchangers? There will be no idler, no slothful one, found inside the kingdom of heaven. O that God would set this matter in all its importance before the sleeping churches! O that Zion would arise and put on her beautiful garments! O that she would shine!

There are many ordained ministers who have never yet exercised a shepherd's care over the flock of God, who have never yet watched for souls as they that must give an account. The church instead of developing is left to be a weak, dependent, inefficient body. The members of the church, trained to rely upon preaching, do little for Christ. They bear no fruit, but rather increase in selfishness and unfaithfulness. They put their hope in the preacher, and depend upon his efforts to keep alive their weak faith. Because the church-members have not been properly instructed by those whom God has placed as overseers, many are slothful servants, hiding their talents in the earth, and still complaining of the Lord's dealing toward them. They expect to be tended like sick children.

This condition of weakness must not continue. Well-organized work must be done in the church that its members may understand how to impart the light to others, and thus strengthen their own faith and increase their knowledge. As they impart that which they have received from God, they will be confirmed in the faith. A working church is a living church. We are built up as living stones, and every stone is to emit light. Every Christian is compared to a precious stone that catches the glory of God and reflects it.

The idea that the minister must carry all the burdens and do all the work, is a great mistake. Overworked and broken down, he may go into the grave, when had the burden been shared as the Lord designed, he might have lived. That the burden may be distributed, an education must be given to the church by those who can teach the workers to follow Christ and to work as He worked.

THE YOUTH TO BE MISSIONARIES

Let not the youth be ignored ; let them share in the labor and the responsibility. Let them feel that they have a part to act in helping and blessing others. Even the children should be taught to do little errands of love and mercy for those less fortunate than themselves.

Let overseers of the church devise plans whereby young men and women may be trained to put to use their entrusted talents. Let the older members of the church seek to do earnest work, and compassionate work for the children.

and youth. Let ministers put to use all their ingenuity in devising plans whereby the younger members of the church may be led to co-operate with them in missionary work. But do not imagine that you can arouse their interest merely by preaching a long sermon at the missionary meeting. Plan ways whereby a live interest may be kindled. Let all have a part to act. Train the young to do what is appointed them, and from week to week let them bring their reports to the missionary meeting, telling what they have experienced, and through the grace of Christ what success has been theirs. If such reports were brought in by consecrated workers, the missionary meetings would not be dull and tedious. They would be full of interest, and there would be no lack in attendance.

In every church the members should be so trained that they will devote time to the winning of souls to Christ. How can it be said of the church, "Ye are the light of the world," unless the members are actually imparting light?

Let those who have charge of the flock of Christ awake to their duty, and set many souls to work.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

THE GENERAL CONFERENCE COUNCIL

There were twenty-four members of the General Conference Committee present at the meeting held at College View, Nebraska, October 5—15. Besides the members of the Committee there were in attendance superintendents and managers of sanitariums, managers and others connected with publishing houses, and presidents and other laborers of local conferences. All the presidents of the local conferences in the Lake Union were present, with the exception of Elder J. J. Irwin, of North Michigan, who was confined to the house at the time by a temporary affliction.

Many important questions were given consideration during the ten days of the meeting, chief among them being the fund to be raised for the extension of mission work in heathen lands; the selection of men to fill important stations in India, China, Japan, and other fields; the question of how to maintain the work at home, both in the field and in institutions, and at the same time answer calls for help in foreign lands.

It was the unanimously expressed opinion of the council that, beginning with the new year, 1910, we should enter upon a campaign in the interest of the work abroad, and by the blessing of the Lord, endeavor to place in the treasury one hundred thousand dollars per annum, as a special extension fund, this in addition to the regular contributions for missions. If the Lord delights in us and adds His blessing, It will not be difficult for one hundred thousand people to thus

render it possible to enter India, China, Japan, and Korea in a way to stir these heathen countries, and at the same time make the missionaries comfortable while carrying on the work.

Other church people were compelled years ago to provide suitable homes for their missionaries in these lands. The sort of dwelling place in which the natives live is found to be dangerous to life as well as void of all comfort as habitation for Europeans or Americans. So far our missionaries have endured these conditions, but not without loss of life, in some cases, and of health, in many more.

The keynote of the conference may be summed up in these words: Stop building expensive institutions at home, and build homes for missionaries abroad. Several men whose names will appear in the secretary's report, were called upon by the council to leave the homeland to carry the message of salvation to those who sit in darkness. Still others are volunteering, and will be called to go, that the truth may quickly be made known.

There was a general agreement that our schools and sanitariums are necessary, and must be maintained and relieved of indebtedness, but this should not interfere with the plans for sending the gospel to earth's remotest bounds. In fact, the true missionary spirit would encourage the strictest economy at home, even to the extent of real sacrifice, that means may be provided for accomplishing the work for which there is a crying demand.

Now is the time for individuals, families, churches, and conferences to turn every dollar possible into the mission treasury.

I once read a parable of a householder, who, having a large estate, left it in charge of servants, with instruction to cultivate it to the utmost extremity. In the immediate vicinity of the dwellings there was an area that was easy of access, and no obstructions to the cultivator, while the outlying districts were more difficult. Each servant had been given instruction as to the special seed to be sown and cultivated; so one planted corn in the home field, another sowed wheat over the same area, and still another, oats, and so on, with the result that no fruit was produced in the home field by reason of overworking, while the remainder became overgrown with briars and thorns, and of course, no fruit.

I have meditated as to the meaning of the parable. It is evident that somebody is conscious that we may sow the home field to the neglect of the more difficult fields; and we may so manage our sowing even in the homeland as to preclude the possibility of fruit-bearing.

ALLEN MOON.

THE HOME

ROXETTE RUNCK, M. D.

"Through wisdom is an house builded; and by understanding it is established." It is in the home where the foundation of the character is laid. Home environments shape the destiny of man. Impressions made upon youthful minds are lasting. How vividly comes to our memory, scenes of our childhood. Then how careful we should be in selecting the place where our home is to be established. Choose a location where noble purposes and characters can be developed in your children. A noble character is the best legacy we can leave a child. "Be not controlled by the desire for wealth, the dictates of fashion, or the customs of society. Consider what will tend most to simplicity, purity, health, and real worth."

Country life is more conducive to health and simplicity than city life. John the Baptist's home was in the country. So was the home of Jesus. We find that the country produces more men of real worth than does the city. Ninety-two per cent of our presidents and governors were raised in the country. In the country we can commune with nature's God through His handiwork. The city holds out many pleasures and temptations to the youth. "One of the most subtle and dangerous temptations that assail the children and youth in the cities is the love of pleasure."

God placed the first pair in the garden of Eden surrounded by His own works. It was not His plan that people should live in cities. "The more nearly we come into harmony with God's original plan, the more favorable will be our position to secure health of body, and mind, and soul."

Lot did not choose a favorable place for his home. His eyes did not rest upon the highest aim of the home,—character building. He looked upon the rich plains and counted the dollars he could accumulate in a few years. What was the result? He barely escaped with his life. With a heavy heart he thought of his children he was compelled to leave behind.

It is not wealth and luxury that bring success to our children. Let them help bear the responsibilities of the home. This puts good material into their character building. Work brings health with it, which is to be prized more than wealth. Jesus toiled in the carpenter shop and helped in supporting the family. "An expensive dwelling, elaborate furnishings, display, luxury, and ease do not furnish the conditions essential to a happy, useful life. Jesus came to this earth to accomplish the greatest work ever accomplished among men. He came as God's ambassador, to show us how to live so as to secure life's best results."

Let us teach our children economy and self-sacrifice. Instead of spending their money on pleasure seeking, train them to put their pennies into the work Christ came to accomplish. The gospel of this kingdom is to go to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. We not only need the pennies of our children to forward this gospel but we *need them*, and whether they have the strength of mind, body, and character, which will enable them to go as missionaries into all the world, their home training will largely determine.

Great are the responsibilities of the home-builder. Let us have plain homes, so planned that all our time and energy will not be consumed in keeping them in order. Then we can have time to study God's Word and to teach our children about Him, "the way, the truth, and the life." "In many a home the wife and mother has no time to read, to keep herself well informed, no time to be a companion to her husband, no time to keep in touch with the developing minds of her children. There is no time or place for the precious Savior to be a close, dear companion. Too late she awakes to find herself almost a stranger in her own house. The precious opportunities once hers to influence her dear ones for the higher life, unimproved, have passed away forever. Let the home, makers resolve to live on a wiser plan. Let it be your first aim to make a pleasant home. Be sure to provide the facilities that will lighten labor and promote health and comfort. Plan for the entertainment of the guests whom Christ has bidden us to welcome, and of whom He says, 'Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me.'" "God desires us to surround our homes with the beauty of natural things." Let us build our homes and our characters upon the solid rock, Christ Jesus: and when storms come our building will stand the test.



AN AFFECTIONATE SPIRIT

We sometimes meet with men who seem to think that any indulgence in affectionate feeling is a weakness. They will return from a journey and greet their families with distant dignity, and move among their children with the cold and lofty splendor of an iceberg surrounded with its broken fragments. There is hardly a more unnatural sight on earth than one of those families without hearts.

A father had better extinguish his son's eyes than take away his *heart*. Who that has experienced the joys of friendship, and knows the worth of affection, would not rather lose all that is beautiful in nature's scenery, than be robbed of the hidden treasures of his heart? . . .

Cherish, then, your heart's best affections. Indulge in filial, parental, fraternal love. Think it not a weakness. *God is love.* Love everything and everybody that is lovely. Teach your children to love—to love the flowers, to love the birds, to love their parents, to love their God. Let it be the studied object of your domestic culture to give them warm hearts and ardent affections. You cannot make the cords of love too strong; and be assured that in nurturing the principles of affection, you are nurturing the principles of virtue.—*Christian Field.*



"LIBERTY" AND THE PETITION WORK

We desire that the petition work shall be taken up and pushed vigorously. We desire also that it shall result in accomplishing the most possible good. Years ago when the Blair National Sunday Rest Bill, the Blair Educational Amendment, and the Breckenridge District Sunday Bill were before Congress, we secured something like seven hundred thousand signatures to the petitions which we circulated against these measures. These petitions were presented to Congress. This work and these petitions, together with the circulation of literature, the holding of meetings, and opposition at public hearings, had effect too. The measures were defeated.

Religious measures are again before Congress,—the Johnston District Sunday Bill, and the proposed religious amendment to the Constitution. Both were introduced in the special session, the first in the Senate and the other in the House. Let the petition work be taken up again and carried forward intelligently and energetically. As long as such measures are introduced it is proper to petition and protest against them.

The petition work affords a splendid opportunity to meet with the people and converse with them upon important phases of the message. It also affords a splendid opportunity to circulate religious liberty literature and secure annual subscriptions to *Liberty*. We recommend that those who go out with the petitions take along with them a few sample copies of *Liberty*, and endeavor to secure yearly subscriptions to this magazine. Twenty-five cents is not a large subscription price for any journal. In this way we believe that a large number of subscriptions may be secured to this excellent and important magazine, as well as a large number of signatures to the petitions. He is a wise hunter who kills two birds with one stone.

Numbers 1, 2, and 6 of our Religious Liberty Leaflets—"Principles Too Little Understood,"

"Sunday Laws," and "Religious Liberty—What Eminent Men Have Said"—are good leaflets to circulate in connection with the petition work.

Congress convenes December 6. Let all petitions be retained until that time, and then sent in, with appropriate letters, to one of the Senators of the State, or the Representative for the Congressional District, in which the petitions were circulated. The text of the two measures against which the petitions are especially aimed is printed on the back of every petition for the benefit of both those who circulate and those who sign them.

And let us not forget to sign the petitions ourselves.

W. A. COLCORD.

Cor. Sec. Religious Liberty Association.



IMPORTANCE OF RELIGIOUS LIBERTY WORK

We should all be aroused to the importance of religious liberty work. We have done something in this respect, but let us do far more than we have. We should not now be lacking in interest in this line of work, for religious liberty is the heart or core of our message to the world. We should study the fundamental principles of religious liberty, which to-day is a burning issue. If one part of our message is more important than another part, it must be that of liberty; for if our liberties are taken from us, we can not carry on the other lines of our specific work. So it must be evident that much depends upon the preservation of our liberties whether we accomplish anything or not.

God has given us much light on this subject, and it is our duty to set before the people the principles of religious liberty and civil freedom. Inasmuch as we are sound on right principles, and know that have we God and truth on our side, we should not be afraid to stand with the minority.

For many years we have given much time and study to the subject of religious liberty, the Word of God, and the nations of the earth; and this thoughtful and prayerful study enables us to understand the work now being done by the federation of churches, and the outcome of this movement.

Paul tell us in 1 Cor. 2:7, 8, that if the princes of this world had known the wisdom of God, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. They might have known; they had the prophecies for it. The same thing is true today. The united prophecies of Daniel and Revelation plainly show us what will take place in our generation, and we are sorry to say that many of those professing to be Christians, ignore these. They no more understand the symbolic truths that are applicable to-day than did the Jews un-

derstand the prophecies that were applicable in their day. And as the Jews made the awful mistake of putting the Father's Son to death, thus separating themselves from God, so are the reformed churches of to-day in unison with the Catholic church, putting the Father's law to death, thus separating themselves from God. In their blindness they will exalt the papal Sabbath above God's Sabbath. Through the teaching of the principles of religious liberty, some who are in the last-day delusions will see their mistakes, and with thankful hearts to God, break away from them. Are not the principles of liberty important? Let us both teach and exemplify them in our lives.

Yours for liberty,
H. W. REED.

Clearwater Lake, Wisconsin.



SCHOOL WORK IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

The items in the HERALD from our workers are always inspiring to me, and I thought perhaps our friends would be interested in reading a report from us.

As you know, we are a small, new conference, and, therefore, the work is not very far advanced. However, the Lord so blessed our efforts that seven schools opened this fall.

We know that a work well begun is much more easily made a success, and, therefore, a parents' meeting was held upon the opening day of each school. I attended several, and the prayers and good wishes offered were certainly inspiring to the teachers as well as to myself. The holy angels hovered near, and we felt closer drawn to our Saviour for having been present.

Our intermediate school at DuQuoin has a good enrollment, and is prospering under the guidance of Miss Grace Evans.

One school is being held in a tent. The teacher and pupils are happy, and doing good work. When the weather gets cool, they put on their jackets, and work faster. A little band of missionaries, think you not?

The Decatur children meet in a small room on the fifth floor of a business block. Some of the office people have become interested in Christian education from hearing the pupils sing, and seeing them pass through the halls. What an opportunity to preach Jesus just by the straightforward walk!

I wish you could visit our colored school at Springfield. Fourteen bright boys and girls assemble there. One of their number is becoming quite an efficient kindergarten teacher.

Two of our teachers are hearing a class during the noon hour so as to give some pupils advanced work.

One school room was very bare and dingy; the children asked for nickel and dime donations of friends, and now the room is a pretty place with its white sash curtains, pictures, plants, etc. Since this change, all are happier, and much better work is being done.

My article is now altogether too long, and so I will wait to tell you about our parents' meetings, which we plan to hold each month, at another time.

I have been teaching three weeks in the Peoria school, but hope to be relieved soon.

I have found many kind friends since coming to this field. When the work seems too great for me, and I feel too weak to carry it forward, I have been strengthened by repeating Joshua 1: 9. "Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of good courage, be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest."

Dear friends, do pray for the advancement of the school work in Southern Illinois.

EDITH SHEPARD.

Springfield, Ill.



NORTH MICHIGAN

WILSON AND IRON RIVER.—Brother Johnson and myself were pleased to find the brethren of good courage in the Wilson and Iron River churches. The brethren at Wilson became enthusiastic in the Missions *Review* campaign and added over 500 copies to their order. We also found the school and Young People's Society doing good work.

When we arrived at the Iron River church we found the house well filled with the Swedish brethren, and outsiders. They will do what they can with the Missions *Review*, but their main work will be with the Swedish paper, as the community is almost entirely Swedish. We separated at Iron River, Brother Johnson going to the north and east in the interest of the canvassing work. I returned to Petoskey, and expect to visit other churches in behalf of the Mission *Review*.

E. A. BRISTOL.



INTERESTING EXPERIENCES AMONG THE FINNS

On Friday, October 8, in company with K. V. Bjork, our faithful Finnish canvasser, who was to act as interpreter, I left Houghton to visit some

of our Finnish brethren and hold meetings with some of their friends and neighbors. The first stage of our journey, about fifteen miles, was made by train; the remainder, six miles, on foot. We reached our destination without special incident, except that as we were speeding through the fields and forests, among the hills and valleys, we could not help but notice the beauty of the autumn leaves with their variety of colors, in contrast with the blue sky above and the ground and rocks beneath, all showing the handiwork of the Creator.

Later in the day we were joined by Elder R. J. Bellows. We were very hospitably received and cared for at the home of Brother and Sister Daniel Evans. Shortly after our arrival at Brother Evans' home, we were invited to take a Finnish bath, which is a very interesting process, I assure you.

Each Finnish farmer has a bath-house of his own. This is the first building put up, even preceding the building of the family residence. It is built away from the other buildings, and is usually from eight to ten feet wide by twelve to sixteen feet long and eight to twelve feet high. It is usually made of logs, as are the other buildings on the farm. In the bath-house are the following: a floor made of boards, or logs hewed flat on the upper side, a seat or bench against the wall part way around, from two to three shelves, each higher than the other, and wide enough to lie down upon, a large pile of stones built up in the form of a pyramid, about four feet square at the base, and four to five feet high, with a fireplace underneath. There is no chimney connected with the fireplace, but a hole in the roof, or ventilator, serves to let the smoke out. The appearance of the interior is more like a smoke-house than a bath-house. An hour or so previous to taking the bath, a fire is built under the pile of stones, and a tank of water is set upon the pile to heat. The stones become very hot, and when the wood has burned to coals so no more smoke arises, the house is ready for the occupants. Those desiring to bathe then enter the house, carrying with them a pail of cold water, bath-brush, soap, a brush made of cedar sprigs tied in a bunch, and about eighteen inches long, and towels. After disrobing, warm water from the tank is sprayed on the body, by use of the cedar sprig brush, and if it is desired to keep the head cool, a towel is wet in the cold water and wrapped around the head, being renewed as often as necessary. At frequent intervals water is poured on the heated rocks, which immediately rises in steam, and increases the temperature of the room. One soon begins to sweat, and really gets a bath inside and out, as he inhales the steam-filled air. He then

mounts the shelves, to the highest, if he can stand the heat, and lies down for a few minutes. He then descends to the floor, and with the cedar sprigs whips himself quite vigorously; then with soap and bath-brush gives himself a thorough cleaning, finishing up with a cold shower, and rubbing with towels. One feels like a different person after going through with this ordeal, and I must say that I thoroughly enjoyed it. Some of these Finnish farmers indulge in these baths from two to three times a week.

We held several meetings at the home of Brother Evans Sabbath and Sunday morning, quite a few friends and neighbors attending the same. On Sunday morning, after a sermon on baptism, Brother and sister Evans were buried in the watery grave, in a creek near their home, we trust, and believe, to walk henceforth in newness of life. About thirty-five friends and neighbors gathered to witness the ceremony, and from our observation, we believe favorable impressions were made.

On Sunday afternoon we attended a meeting held by a Finnish temperance society, and were granted the privilege of presenting a few of the principles which we hold, and our attitude on the temperance question. We believe this will help to break down prejudice and open the way for a work to be done among this people.

We then renewed our journey, going about eight miles from Brother and Sister Evans' home to another settlement where Brother and Sister Lougainen live. We were accompanied by Brother and Sister Evans. This journey was made on foot. We remained at Brother Lougainen's until Tuesday afternoon. While there we held several more meetings, and they were blessed occasions indeed. They were the most impressive services I ever attended, being marked by the special presence of the Holy Spirit.

These Finnish farmers are very plain, unassuming people, and live in a simple way. Their diet consists principally of sour and sweet milk, potatoes and other vegetables, rye bread and butter, prepared and served in different ways. On this diet they thrive and do all manner of labor connected with farm life. They are very cautious about taking up any new doctrines, but we can see the barriers are being broken down, and believe there will yet be many souls among them, who will as a result of diligent and prayerful labor, unite with us as a people. There are many thousands of them here in the Copper country. We have only four Finnish brethren and sisters yet, but others are interested, and we hope to see a harvest of souls as a result of the labor done among them.

Our experience among this people binds our hearts closer to God and His great work in the earth to-day, and makes us cry to God for power from on high to lead sinning humanity to the "Great Sinbearer," and for heaven's new light to break into their souls.

Let us all take renewed courage in the Lord, and push the conquest of the gospel to a grand and glorious triumph in Him.

Houghton, Mich. E. F. PETERSON.



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

JACKSONVILLE.—The work of giving the truth to the people of this city, Jacksonville, was begun early last spring. Bible reading leaflets were distributed in a systematic manner over almost one fourth of the city. This was interrupted during the summer, but is now being followed up by canvassing and Bible work.

Three are keeping the Sabbath as a result of the work done thus far, and others are interested and studying the truth.

MARY B. CRAIG.



Book Work

NORTH MICHIGAN CANVASSING EXPERIENCES

It was a pleasure to me to be able to spend two days in the field in active canvassing. I received a great blessing and trust that the books placed in the homes of the people may result in good. The truth never seems so precious as when telling others about it; then one realizes the presence of the angels more than at any other time.

One man did not care to even see a book that treated on Bible subjects for he thought that the Bible had caused more trouble and bloodshed than any other book; but when I thought of the joy the teachings of the precious volume has brought to thousands of homes, I was glad to continue my work of carrying reading matter to them which would help them to a better understanding of it. Such experiences as the one related are rare.

Another man seemed to take great interest in the subjects presented and after giving me his order, invited me back to stay over night with them.

One lady told me it was useless to call at the next house as they did not care for religious reading. But the Spirit of the Lord can work wonders, and although they seemed indifferent at first they soon became interested and gave me an order for the book.

The next day I found a man who had read "Great Controversy," and was then reading "Thoughts on Daniel and Revelation" which

had been loaned him by one who was trying to do missionary work. He was much interested in the truths they contained, and gave me an order for "Practical Lessons." He then invited me to take dinner with them, an invitation seldom refused by a canvasser. He wanted me to call again.

The last lady canvassed, not only ordered the book but thanked me for calling to give her an opportunity to get it.

While the people of the world are hungry for this truth why should there not be hundreds in the field to satisfy their longings by placing the printed page in their homes?

I am glad that a number in this field plan to enter the work soon, but now is a splendid time to reach the people while their minds are directed to Christmas.

One sister, who is just starting out, took eleven orders for "Coming King" in one forenoon, which shows that the books can be sold if the people are given a chance to buy.

North Michigan canvassers do not have rain and mud to contend with in the winter months, and the long evenings afford an excellent opportunity for people to read.

I am glad for a part in the work and am praying that others may enter the field and hasten the glorious triumph of the message.

H. W. JOHNSON.



CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

OCTOBER 15, 1909

Northern Illinois

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
Betty Foygnet.....	S. P.	3		\$ 3 50	.....	\$ 3 50
L. E. Foygnet (delivering).....	S. P.					
J. R. Robson.....	G. C.	24½		4 75	60	5 35
Lorenzo Clark.....	B. R.	44	23	63 25	.....	63 25
C. R. Puels.....	D. R.	27	5	14 75	2 90	17 65
J. S. Johnson.....	G. C.	15	3	3 60	9 25	12 85
		113½	31	89 85	12 75	102 60

North Michigan

K. V. Bjork (delivering).....	D. R.					
C. E. Sutton.....	B. F. L.	5	8	8 50	1 50	10 00
Mrs. L. A. Newell.....	Small books	20	37	12 85	.....	12 85
Mrs. Walter Carpenter.....	C. K.	15	14	15 50	3 60	19 10
H. W. Johnson.....	P. L.	18	8	8 00	2 50	10 50
		58	67	44 85	7 60	52 45

West Michigan

A. C. Haughey.....	B. R.	14	8	22 75	15 00	37 75
Irving M. Carr.....	"	6	2	6 50	.....	6 50
		20	10	29 25	15 00	44 25

East Michigan

Lydia Harter.....	D. R.	7	2	7 50	35	7 85	
E. M. Fishell.....	"	6	.....	.....	1 20	1 20
Hugh Collier.....	C. K.	53	21	23 50	7 70	31 20	
Harry Park.....	"	41	22	24 50	70	25 20	
Effie Park.....	"	41	25	29 50	3 95	33 45	
		148	70	85 00	13 90	98 90	
No. of agents.....		18	339½	178	248 95	49 25	298 20

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Emmanuel Missionary College

Mrs. Kern of Wolf Lake, Ind., is visiting her daughter, Elizabeth.

Mr. Lewis M. Peterson of South Dakota entered upon his preparatory medical course at the College last week.

Mrs. Mohler and three children of Hamilton, Mo., have been visiting Mrs. Graf, Mrs. Mohler's sister, en route to Harrisburg, Penn., where they are to visit relatives,

Mrs. Gibson of Watrousville, Mich., is visiting her daughter, Nola, who is a student in the College. Mrs. Gibson is planning to locate in Berrien Springs in the near future.

Prof. A. C. Haughey was with the Berrien Springs church last Sabbath. He spoke in the chapel Sabbath forenoon on the subject of service, taking as his text Ps. 126:6, emphasizing the thought that weeping comes first—rejoicing after. He spoke again in the young people's meeting in the afternoon.

Sunday evening, Oct. 17, a Harvest Ingathering service was held at the College. The chapel was beautifully decorated, whatever "could please the eye and give expression to the universal joy, was brought from the woods" and farm. The special music rendered by Professor Gerritsen's well trained choir was very inspiring. The children of the church-school did exceptionally well with their part of the program. At the close, an offering for the Huntsville orphanage was taken. All present felt that they had been benefited, aside from the assistance rendered this most worthy enterprise.

Northern Illinois

Elder O. A. Olsen spent several days in Chicago last week. He contemplates locating the headquarters of the North American Foreign Department in this city.

We have been very much pleased with the way orders have been coming in for the Harvest Ingathering number of the *Review*. At this writing we have received orders for 8838 copies.

Twin boys were born to Professor and Mrs. B. A. Wolcott, Thursday, Oct. 7. Hearty congratulations are extended.

Elder Covert moved his family last week from Sheridan to Aurora. Hereafter his home address will be 295 Grand Ave., Aurora, Ill.

Dr. David Paulson, Dr. Mary Paulson, and Mrs. Hannah Swanson conducted a Gospel of Health Institute at the Streator church Oct. 15-17.

Miss Ida Thompson, returned missionary from China, who is spending a few months in this country was recently enrolled as a student of the Chicago University.

The leading article in the November Watchman is entitled "What Is the Matter With the Churches," by the Editor. We have a supply of this number. Send us your order.

A reception was tendered to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klooster last Sunday evening at Brookline Mission by their many friends of the South Side and Englewood churches. A full set of the Testimonies in red leather was presented to them as a mark of love and esteem. Brother Klooster and his family will soon locate on a farm near Holland, Mich. We regret very much to lose their presence among us, but pray that the Lord's blessing may go with them to their new home.

Southern Illinois

The First Springfield church is installing a baptistry.

Brethren E. F. Ferris and John Shuler report three new Sabbath-keepers at Flora.

The conference committee held a meeting at Springfield Thursday, October 14.

Miss Eaton is spending a few days with her parents at DuQuoin, taking a much needed rest.

Brethren S. S. Gray and W. E. Schwartz report a good interest at Markham. They have transferred their meetings from the tent to a school-house.

North Michigan

The church building at Alpena is being newly painted and papered.

During the visit of Brethren Guild and Butterfield at Whittemore, one was baptized and added to the church.

Sister Edith McClellan is spending a few weeks in the Upper Peninsula in the interest of her department of the work. She will visit Escanaba, Riverside, Harris, and Iron River.

From a report sent in by Elder R. J. Bellows we take the following: "On my way to the Upper Peninsula after the Petoskey camp-meeting, I visited the

little company at the Soo and held some meetings; from there I went to McMillan and spent the Sabbath, baptizing four precious souls at its close. While at this place Brethren Fenner, Collard, and myself united in securing, or changing the site for the church which is now being built under the direction of Brother Fenner. It will soon be ready for services. From here I went to Ensign and visited some of the Sabbath-keepers. On account of many moving away and some apostatizing, this church has only a few resident members left. On returning to my home at Riverside, from which I had been absent three months, quarterly meeting was held, and one brother who was once connected with us was re-baptized and again taken into church fellowship. At present I am at Ishpeming, engaged in house to house work."

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