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

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LET IT PASS

"He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city." Prov. 16:32.

Be not swift to take offense—Let it pass!
Anger is a foe to sense—Let it pass!
Brood not darkly o'er a wrong
Which will disappear ere long,
Rather sing this cheerful song—Let it pass.

Echo not an angry word—Let it pass!
Think how often you have erred—Let it pass!
Since our joys must pass away
Like the dewdrops on the spray,
Wherefore should our sorrows stay—Let it pass.

If for good you suffer ill—Let it pass!
Oh! be kind and gentle still—Let it pass!
Time at last makes all things straight,
Let us not resent but wait,
And our triumph shall be great—Let it pass.

—Selected.

WORK FOR THE CHURCH

There are but few of our churches that can enjoy the labors of a minister, except at long intervals. They must depend upon their own efforts, with God's blessing, to maintain spiritual life. In the absence of preaching, its rests with them to keep up the interest of the meetings, and to preserve the church in a healthy, growing condition. In every church there is talent, which, with the right kind of labor, might be developed to become a great help in this work. There should be a well organized plan for the employment of workers to go into the churches, large and small, to instruct the members how to labor for the upbuilding of the church, and also for unbelievers. It is not mere sermonizing that is needed, but educating. The people must be taught the necessity of personal piety and home religion. The life and teachings of Christ must be presented before them. This is the work that will accomplish the greatest good for our churches.

Brotherly love is greatly lacking. Those who profess to love the Saviour neglect to cultivate a warm attachment for His people. Just prior to the crucifixion, Christ, in His last lessons to His disciples, enforced upon them the love which they should have for one another. "By this," He says, "shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another." The apostle John dwells particularly upon the love which should exist among brethren. It is interwoven with all his epistles, and up to the day of his death he dwelt upon this love, and urged upon believers its constant exercise. This precious grace needs to be cultivated in the church. We are the same faith, members of one family, all children of the same Heavenly Father, with the same blessed hope of immortality. How close and tender should be the tie which binds us together!

It is their distance from Christ that keeps His professed people at so great a distance from one another. When Christ is looked to as the great Exemplar, then they will seek to catch His spirit, and to imitate His example. We need to study the Bible more, that our minds may dwell upon the infinite sacrifice of Christ, and His mediation in our behalf. As we see His love, His humiliation for us, the same spirit of self-denial and sacrifice for others' good will be kindled in our hearts. Beholding Jesus by the eye of faith, we shall be "changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord."

That church only is strong that is a working church. The thinking powers should be consecrated to Christ, and ways and means should be devised to serve Him best. Let all set their hearts and minds to become intelligent in regard to the work for this time, qualifying themselves to do that for which they are best adapted. Men who make a success in business life are keen, apt, and prompt. We must exercise equal tact and energy in the service of God.

All this work of training should be accompanied with earnest seeking of the Lord for His Holy Spirit. Let this be urged home upon those who are willing to give themselves to the Master's service. No one who will indulge in jesting, in pleasure-seeking, or in any sinful practice, can be accepted as a worker for God. Our conduct is watched by the world; every act is scrutinized.

and commented upon. Your life should be such that unbelievers, seeing your godly walk and circumspect conversation, may be charmed with the faith that produces such results.

Let the workers avoid everything that approaches to pride and self-esteem. Cultivate modesty of deportment. Humility is repeatedly and most expressly enjoined in the Scriptures. Says Peter, "Be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble." The wise man declares, "Before honor is humility." And Jesus taught His followers that "he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." "Thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy: I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite ones." "Blessed are the poor in spirit; for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

There is a much greater work devolving upon the individual members of the church than they realize. They are not awake to the claims of God upon them. The time has come when every means must be devised that can aid in preparing a people to stand in the day of God. We must be wide awake not to let precious opportunities pass unimproved. We must do all that we possibly can do to win souls to love God and keep His commandments. Jesus requires this of those who know the truth. Is His demand unreasonable? Do we not have the life of Christ as our example? Do we not owe to Christ a debt of love, of earnest, unselfish labor for the salvation of souls for whom He has given His own life?

The lay members of our churches can accomplish a work which as yet they have scarcely begun. None should move into new places merely for the sake of worldly advantage, but where there is an opening to obtain a livelihood, let families that are well-grounded in the truth enter, one or two families in a place, to work as missionaries. They should feel a love for souls, a burden of labor for them, and should make it a study how to bring them into the truth. They can circulate our publications, hold meetings in their own houses, become acquainted with their neighbors, and invite them to come to the meetings and Bible readings. They can let their light shine in good works.

Let the workers stand alone in God, weeping, praying, laboring, for the salvation of their fellow-men. Remember that you are running a race, striving for an immortal crown. While so many love the praise of men more than the favor of God, let it be yours to labor in humility. Learn to exercise faith in presenting the case of your neighbors before the throne of grace, and plead-

ing with God to touch their hearts. In this way effectual missionary work may be done. Some may be reached who would not listen to a minister or a colporter. And those who thus go into a new place will be able to learn the best ways and means of approaching the people there, and they can prepare the way for other laborers.

A precious experience may be gained by one who engages in this work. He has upon his heart the burden of the souls of his neighbors. He must have the help of Jesus. How careful he will be to walk circumspectly, that his prayers may not be hindered, that no cherished sin may separate him from God! While helping others, such a worker is himself obtaining spiritual strength and understanding, and in this humble school he may become qualified to enter a wider field.

We shall not be stinted for means if we will only go forward trusting in God. The Lord is willing to do a great work for all those who truly believe in Him. If the lay-members of the church will arouse to do their work in a quiet way, going a warfare at their own charges, each seeing how much he can do in winning souls to Jesus, we shall see many leaving the ranks of Satan to stand under the banner of Christ. If our people will act upon the light that is given in these remarks, showing that they sincerely believe the truth which they profess, wonderful revivals will follow; we shall surely see of the salvation of God, sinners will be converted, and many souls will be added to the church. When we will bring our hearts into unity with Christ, and our lives into harmony with His work, the Spirit that descended on the day of Pentecost will fall on us.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY OFFERING

This offering is to be made Sabbath, February 5, and we trust it will be a liberal one. The last General Conference passed a special resolution relating to this collection which is as follows:—

"Whereas, Agitation for Sunday legislation is rapidly increasing in the United States and Canada; and,

"Whereas, The general annual collection of funds for the prosecution of religious liberty work has hitherto been exclusively for the use of the General Religious Liberty Department; therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, that there be an equal division of funds to the General, Union, and Local Conferences in the fields."

This resolution provides that one third of the collection may be retained by the local confer-

ences for local work, and two thirds will be sent to the Union treasurer, who will retain one third and send the remaining one third to the General Conference treasurer.

There never has been a time when work in this line was more needed than now. It becomes necessary to distribute the work, the General, Union, and Local conferences each assuming responsibilities in the work; hence, the division of funds. Let special liberality be shown toward this work.

ALLEN MOON.

Field Reports

FROM MEXICO

During the year 1909 we baptized forty-three believers in the Republic of Mexico. This is more than half as many as had been baptized in the previous history of our work here, covering a period of fifteen years. There are fully thirty-five more who have requested baptism, and are only waiting until one of our two ordained ministers can visit the localities where they reside.

Forty-eight are attending meetings in Santa Barbara, in the State of Chihuahua, conducted by Brethren Robles and Colunga. Nearly all of these were devout Catholics six weeks ago, but they have now renounced image and saint worship, and are in their first ardent love of the truth.

There are more calls for meetings in Mexico than we can possibly fill. In view of this we are making an urgent appeal for two more ministers from the United States. We want men who have had a good record in raising up churches, and yet we prefer rather young workers because they can the more readily learn the language. However, they need not wait a day to acquire the language, before going to work, as we can yoke them up with workers who understand both the Spanish and the English, and will gladly interpret for them. This will enable them to acquire the Spanish language quickly. Who will volunteer to come over and help us, in case we get the approval of our Mission Board to employ more workers? We confidently believe that the next two years will witness a remarkable growth in our membership in this field.

Two of our canvassers in six weeks have taken orders for books to the value of nearly \$1,900 in United States currency.

A comparison of the workers and of the membership in our field, with the the same in the three States of California, Oregon and Washington, would give the following results. In the States mentioned, there is one worker to each six thousand of the population. In Mexico, one worker of all classes to each seven hundred

fifty thousand of the population. The comparative conditions are as though there were thirty believers in the States mentioned, and four workers, of all classes; say one ordained minister who would also be compelled to act as editor, then one canvasser, one colporter, and then you can take your choice of a doctor, a teacher, a nurse or a printer, to make up the fourth worker, as we have included all classes of workers in the above comparison. Then take into consideration almost a solid Catholic population, great superstition, extreme poverty of the masses, and almost half of our territory with climatic conditions which are extremely trying and very dangerous to health, and you have a fair comparison between the fields mentioned.

As yet we have no school for the development of workers. The land and the people on this side of the invisible line (except for a few monuments) belong to the same God as the people and the land on the other side of the line, and I have no reason to believe that the Lord loves the people of Mexico less than the people of the United States. I am certain that the giving of the message to all the world will be finished at the same time, and the redeemed from one nation will not go home to the kingdom of glory, before the others, but we will all go together. I am also impressed that the sooner we comply with the injunction of our Saviour and lift up our eyes and behold the world harvest as ripe and ready for the reapers, and then go to every nation, kindred, tongue and people with our message, the sooner we will all be in the kingdom of glory. If we had as many workers according to our population as there are in one conference in the Pacific Union, we would have five-thousand workers in the Republic of Mexico.

We have great need of four inexpensive chapels where we have as many congregations, and \$1000 would build them all.

Some of our people, possessed of a genuine missionary spirit, expect to locate soon on the West Coast of Mexico, and start a school for the Mexican people in their settlement. We hope that this enterprise will prove to be a real success.

G. W. REASER.

Tacubaya, D. F. Mexico.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS

We have just closed a worker's convention at Hinsdale. Elder O. A. Olsen was Chairman. The attendance was fair, and the interest excellent. The sentiment seemed to be unanimous that all had been greatly benefited on account of the lessons that were given.

We are still continuing our Harvest Ingathering, and expect to keep it up to quite an extent during the winter.

We held our first quarterly meeting with the newly organized church on State Street, Chicago, last Sabbath, and the courage of the members was excellent. They now number twenty-three and we hope that others will unite soon.

Our school at Fox River Academy opens for the winter term this week with the prospect of a number of new students.

We are planning to have a missionary secretary in the field among our churches this year, and hope by this means to work up a large interest in the circulation of our periodicals. This department of the Lord's work has been a great blessing, and it is our intention to reap the benefit from it by a vigorous campaign. Why should not every church have at least one person regularly in this work? The publishers are offering considerable financial inducement to our tract societies, and this help will not be refused, because our societies need it. We believe that a large amount of work will be done this year through this agency.

WM. COVERT.

THE COPPER COUNTRY

Some thirty-nine languages and dialects are spoken in this country, so it affords a varied field for missionary effort.

The last time I reported I told you of an experience among the Finns. This time I am going to tell you of an experience among the native Indians, and others.

In the vicinity of L'anse and Baraga, there are some eleven hundred Indians. They have settled on land allotted them by the United States government. They have also adopted the "white man's" manner of life, and consequently, his vices, to a great extent. Many of them profess religion, and are Methodist and Catholic communicants, as each of these churches have permanent mission churches established for them. They have intermarried to quite an extent with the white race. But, whether white or red, they need the knowledge of God's saving grace as revealed in the third angel's message.

I am glad to say that the way seems to be opening for a work to be done among them. I have made a few visits to L'anse where we have some faithful Sabbath-keepers. About ten days ago I received a letter from a lady who is part Indian, and who speaks the Indian language fluently. She formerly belonged to the Episcopal church. I quote the following extracts from her letter:—

"I must tell you a little of what has happened since your visit here. I have kept Saturday more or less as the Sabbath for some years past, but never as I should until after your visit here a month ago. I have a French Catholic family

for my neighbors. I have talked with the lady about the truth. Her husband has been splitting wood for me, and I asked him as a favor not to work for me Saturday, since that it is the day I observe as Sabbath. He seemed at a loss to know what I meant, so I asked him if he would at some time let me explain. He said he would. When he went home Friday evening he asked his wife what the Sabbath meant. She told him what she could. They had planned to wash and scrub yesterday (Saturday) but she said they just could not do it, and could not explain why. So they kept the Sabbath as best they knew how. She told me last evening they had no Bible nor prayer book, nor anything in the home to teach the children how to pray. What do you think of that? Do you wonder I told you we have heathen right here. This lady's parents live here too, and they are no better off than she. They have asked me to explain to them the second coming of Christ, and the "Sabbath Question."

"They are very anxious for you to come here so they can hear you. I have fifteen Catholics who seem to be ready for the gospel truth. I appeal to you."

I answered this appeal by a visit. The weather was very cold and stormy, but some turned out to hear. I held three meetings while there, in different homes, and hope as a result to see some take their stand for the truth. Many young people seem to be especially interested, and expressed a desire to be good, true, Christians, ready to meet Jesus when He comes. One young man (an Indian) gave his heart to the Lord at the last meeting.

I shall follow up this interest by further visits, and pray for a baptism of the Holy Spirit to enable me to be an instrument in God's hands of winning many souls for Him.

Remember this people in your prayers.

E. F. PETERSON.

WISCONSIN

EAU CLAIRE.—As the Lord has been blessing us wonderfully, I thought it might be well to let the brethren know what we are doing.

We began our general meeting November 18, with Brethren McReynolds, Moon, Hansen, and Post in attendance. The Lord came very near by His Spirit, and the instruction given was "meat in due season," enjoyed by all. One dear brother decided to join the body of which his wife is a member, for which we praise the Lord.

After the general meeting we took up Bible studies on the work of the Holy Spirit, and the Lord blessed us all. Then came the week of prayer and we had such good meetings. Everyone said that Eau Claire had never seen their

equal before. At the close of the week another dear brother was added to our church of which his wife is a member, and two dear brothers who had wandered from the fold were reclaimed. Little grudges and hard feelings among the members were confessed and forgiven, and Malachi 4:6 was literally fulfilled, parents praying for their children and children for their parents. We are still going forward holding meetings and are of good courage.

W. N. PERHAM, *Church Elder.*

Dec. 22, 1909.

POY SIPPI.—With Elders McReynolds and H. P. Anderson, and Brethren Hansen and Numbers, I had the privilege of attending the general meeting at Poy Sippi, December 23-27. From the first, God's spirit came in and prepared the people for work. The burden of the laborers seemed to be for an overflow of love from God to prepare us to do acceptable service in winning souls for Him. A good practical start was made by the church voting to take its full quota of "Ministry of Healing," and to begin selling the same as soon as they arrive. After an earnest talk by Elder McReynolds, Sunday morning, a consecration meeting was held. With the exception of one or two, everyone in the large audience consecrated his life to the giving of the third angel's message.

The canvassing work received some attention at this meeting, as did also the Young People's work. We are encouraged to believe that this church which has developed so many workers in the past, will continue to be a recruiting station from which "servants of God, endowed with power from on high, with their faces lighted up and shining with holy consecration, will go forth to proclaim the message from heaven."

BYRON POST.

RAISING THE \$300,000 FUND IN INDIANA

In order to enlist the co-operation of every church-member in Indiana in the work of making up our share of the \$300,000 Fund for institutions and homes for missionaries in distant lands, the executive committee of the conference has given every minister and licentiate certain churches and companies to visit; in this division of our territory, no church or company has been overlooked. All are therefore to have an opportunity to assist in raising Indiana's share, a little more than \$9,000, of this large fund. The workers are expected to hold meetings with the churches and to visit those who may not attend the meetings. The isolated ones are to be reached by correspondence. By this method it is hoped

that not one member of the conference will fail to have some part, however small, in this important work.

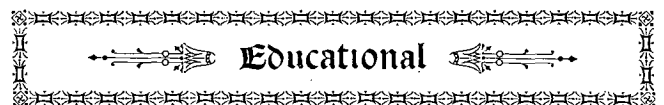
According to a vote of the College View Council, the beginning on this fund is to be made early in 1910. January 1, the first Sabbath of the new year, was thought a favorable time for presenting the matter in the 23d Street church of Indianapolis, one of the largest in the conference. Elder A. L. Miller, to whom this church has been assigned, Elder Morris Lukens, the conference president, and Elder W. J. Stone, our former president, spoke of the importance of doing all we can to build institutions and to provide suitable homes for our missionaries in foreign lands. Not only should those who go to foreign lands make sacrifices, but those who remain in the homeland and enjoy the comforts of civilization should likewise sacrifice for the support of the cause of missions.

An appeal was made. First the question was, How many will give one hundred dollars? After some had responded, pledges of fifty dollars were asked for. Then a number pledged a dollar a month for three years (the length of time it is expected will be required to raise the complete \$300,000.) A number also pledged one dollar a month for one year. Others pledged smaller amounts, even the children taking part in the good work. Practically everyone present gave something.

Although not more than two thirds of the members were present, over \$800 was raised. It is expected, when the absent members have all been visited and their gifts added to this sum, that the 23d Street church will have raised about \$1,000 on this fund.

So the campaign for raising the \$300,000 Fund in Indiana has been well begun. We expect to continue faithfully the work upon which we have entered until at least our \$9,000 has been collected and complete success has been attained.

R. C. SPOHR.



TWO LETTERS

Bethel, Wis., Jan. 3, 1910

Dear Editor:

Enclosed you will find a letter from the church in Armenia which has sent to us three young men to be trained for service.

These young men had sufficient money to pay their way to the school here at Bethel, but can not meet their expenses while here in school. When we undertook this responsibility we hoped that others of the cause of truth would stand by

us in this undertaking. One good sister sent us twenty-five dollars which is all we have received on the expense of these young men. If others, who hear of this through the LAKE UNION HERALD would esteem it a privilege to help train these workers for the far away Armenian field, we would greatly appreciate it at this time.

We are very much pleased with the work of these young men and with their sincerity and piety. One speaks English well, one fairly well, and the other is just beginning. They are anxiously reaching out in every branch for such help as can be obtained, and I feel certain that the Armenian cause will be greatly strengthened when these workers are ready to return.

Sincerely your brother,
C. L. STONE.

Bagtchedjik, Turkey, Nov. 6, 1909

Prof. C. L. Stone,
Bethel Academy, Wisconsin.
Dear Brother in Christ:

We wish to manifest our sincere gratitude that you were kind enough to undertake the burden of the education of the three sons of our church. In taking charge of the education of these boys you will greatly help the Turkish field, and you will be the key of the work of the third angel's message in the Armenian nation. Indeed our brethren in America could not offer any greater help to our people than to train our young men and send them to our country to work for their people.

Prior to this our country has been so oppressed that it was impossible for our young men to get out of the country and return again. But Providence has opened the doors before the third angel's message so that it may go to every tongue and people and tribe; so the warning message must be given to our world-known oppressed Armenian nation, too. The despotism has taken from us the chance to train our young men and young ladies for the Lord's cause, and behold you will send us the laborers who will work in our language.

We trust that you will take care of our three lambs, both physically and morally, and that you will bring them up in the fear of God and in His Word of truth, so that they also may be able to impart what they received to the people that sit under the shadow of darkness and death.

Bagtchedjik Church,

Per Secretary, ONNIG H. PIERNIAN.

Translated by J. G. Mandalian.

WEST MICHIGAN TEACHERS

School	Teacher	Address
Bangor	Helen Cowles	
	C. A. Russell, Tabernacle	
Battle Creek	Flora Williams, 467 Hamblin A.	
	Mabel Baker, 27 Buckeye St.	
	Mrs. Harriet Heffley, Tab.	
	Mrs. C. N. Sanders,	"

Bauer	Edna Ayars
Bedford	Forest Schoonard, R.
Berrien Springs	Mrs. Byron Butterfield
Bloomington	Glenn Schoonard, Berlamont
Buchanan	Edna Cooper
Carlton Center	Ruth Peel, Hastings, R.
Charlotte	Hattie Brassington
Covert	Susie Klose
Denver	Anna Collige, Hesperia, R.
Frost	Mrs. Tina Hoyt, Stanton
Grand Ledge	Thallie Halverson, R.
Grand Rapids	Hattie Hanson, 243 Highland
Glennwood	Edith Colburn [Ave.
Lake Odessa	Fyrnn Ford, R.
Monterey	Mrs. Mina Hege, Allegan, R. 5
	C. A. Hansen
	Fred Green
Otsego	Minnie O. Hart
	Reid Shepard
	Mabel Jenkins
Wright	Flossie Hall, Coopersville, R.
	C. A. HANSEN.

ARE YOU A CLAPPER?

"A clapper in an old church-tower, professed to be greatly grieved because the bell in which it hung was cracked. It was ever and anon telling of its grief in dolorous tones, and exciting the sympathy of many unsophisticated people. But Diogenes, coming along, said: 'Cease your whining, Master Clapper; remember, in the first place, that you cracked the bell, and, in the second place, nobody would know it was cracked if you didn't tell.' When you meet a man who is always complaining coldness of the church, and the want of harmony among its members, tell him this fable. Those who make the most complaints are often those who are the most to blame."

Book Work

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1909

†Southern Illinois

James Rodney (Del.).....	25	16 50		16 50
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W. E. Bailey.....B. R.	16	3	8 25	8 25
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Mrs. Hause (Del.).....	2			
J. E. Dent.....D. R.	17	1	3 00	60
Mrs. J. E. Dent (Del.).....D. R.	22			3 60
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North Michigan

E. B. Munn.....P. P.	20	5	15 00		15 00
K. V. Bjork.....Finn Rev.	25		10 65		10 65
Mrs. L.A. Newell.....Sm bk	20		5 60		5 60
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†Wisconsin

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Frank Halderson (Del.)..					
F. E. Middlestead (Del)...					
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*Week ending Dec. 4. †Week ending Dec. 24.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Emmanuel Missionary College

Miss Nellie Walker enrolled in the school the first of the year.

Mr. Ray Perkins of the village has enrolled in the commercial department of the College.

Mr. D. H. Duffie of Battle Creek was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Rathbun Sunday, January 2.

Miss Katherine Johnson of the village, Berrien Springs, began the commercial course here last week.

Elder G. B. Thompson spoke to us Tuesday, January 4, taking as his subject, "Little Things," a synopsis of which will appear later.

Miss Neva Harris of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, recently entered the school. Her mother accompanied her to the College making a short visit.

Mr. Kenneth Wood who has been a student at the College for the past four months left Sunday for San Fernando, Cal., where he will attend the academy.

Edward Harrigan who has been a student of E. M. C. for nearly three years left Sunday for Glendale, Cal. Mr. Harrigan will be missed by his many friends at this place.

Our chapel talk Monday, January 3, was a timely subject, "Winter Hygiene." Dr. Runck told us that water drinking is the best remedy for the treatment of colds. The following directions were given: When a cold is felt coming, on drink a half glass of water every ten to fifteen minutes, until two or three glasses have been taken. Then drink two or three glasses quickly. This seems a simple thing but several of the students have tried this plan and the results have been very satisfactory.

The third number of the lecture course was an illustrated lecture on India given by Elder G. B. Thompson on the evening of January fourth. Elder Thompson secured many interesting views of the country and people of India in his visit there two years ago, and we were impressed anew with the need of workers to take the complete gospel to that densely populated field. An especially enjoyable feature of the evening were the songs, "Let the Lower Lights Be Burning" and "The Ninety and Nine," illustrated with beautiful stereopticon views.

Last Thursday morning Professor Graf gave a chapel talk, the subject being "Turning Over New Leaves." He said: "The trouble with turning over new leaves is that we soon turn them back. We should put a paper weight on the new leaf after we have turned it. I take it for granted that I have a class of students before me who appreciate

an education. Were this not true, some would not have made the sacrifice they have had to make in coming here." While he was suggesting improvements he said that he is a friend who tells one of his faults. Among the leaves suggested were, criticism, Sabbath-school attendance, Sabbath reading, dress, unselfishness, and faithfulness in work, not attempting some great thing and then giving it up simply because it is found to be difficult. We should remember that character is greater than intellect.

Wisconsin

Elder McReynolds attended a board meeting at Madison this week.

Miss Myrtle Judd spent Christmas week with friends and relatives at Milton Junction.

Brother Arthur Holmes and wife of Milton Junction spent the holidays with relatives at Grand Rapids.

Miss Bertha Rathbun has been visiting schools in the southwestern part of the State for the past few weeks.

The Grand Rapids church recently had the benefit of listening to three good sermons from Elder Wahl of S. Dak.

Elder M. H. Serns and his brother A. E. Serns, attended the recent convention at Hinsdale. They report an excellent time.

Miss Estelle Corwin, one of our church-school teachers, enjoyed part of the holiday vacation at the home of her uncle, Elder McReynolds. She is attending school this winter at Bethel Academy.

A letter just received from Elder J. B. Scott brings the cheering news that the revival meetings in the Bear Lake church still continue with deepening interest. Ten persons—all adults—had taken a stand for the Lord and His truth.

The aged father of Elder John Hoffman departed this life Dec. 21 at his home near Grantsburg, Wis. For twenty-five years he had loved and labored for this message and his relatives. While we sorrow, we also rejoice in the hope of soon meeting him at the resurrection of the just.

Elder Byron Post writes that he presented the "Ministry of Healing" campaign work to the church at Sturgeon Bay last week and that they voted to take their full quota of books, directing the librarian to order them at once. This makes six churches which have already decided to take the books and enter at once upon the work of selling them.

We are sorry to record the death of Brother Benjamin Armitage of the Mill Creek church, who passed away

Monday the 3d. He was an aged pilgrim in this message. One of his sons and a daughter—the wife of Elder W. S. Hyatt—with their families, are in the work in Africa. Another of his sons has done considerable work in Wisconsin. Brother Armitage was buried at Bethel last Thursday.

At the recent joint meeting of the conference committee and sanitarium board, held at the sanitarium, the board accepted the resignation of J. H. Bramhall. He will take up a similar line of work in another place. Brother P. L. Larson, of Berlin, has been called by the board to fill the vacancy. He has accepted the call and is preparing to go to the sanitarium the last of this week to enter at once upon the duties of that office.

Brother F. B. Numbers has decided to take up work further south on account of the severe climate here. He will go to Ohio or Indiana soon to act as State agent. The conference committee has provided for the work by calling Brother Frank Halderson to fill the vacancy. We are glad to be able to fill this office with a young man from our own ranks. Brother Halderson was a student at Bethel Academy where he found and accepted the truth.

Indiana

The students of Beechwood Academy enjoyed a vacation from December 23, 1909 to January 3, 1910.

Professor and Mrs. Burton Castle visited friends in Indianapolis during a portion of the holiday season.

Brother A. N. Anderson, our conference treasurer, spent a part of the holiday season visiting relatives in Illinois and Iowa.

Brother Burt White, our field agent, spent some time recently with the Mt. Zion church. Several there are expecting to begin canvassing soon.

Misses Elizabeth and Martha Bailey, preceptress and matron of Beechwood Academy, spent their holiday vacation at their home at Monon, Indiana.

One thousand copies of the December *Watchman* were used in Indiana last month. The excellence of this monthly merits the wider circulation which it is receiving.

Our office received a hurried call December 29 from Professor G. R. Fattic, preceptor of Bethel (Wis) Academy, who passed this way en route to the Wabash Valley Sanitarium to visit his mother.

Indiana's Sabbath-school and weekly offerings to missions for 1909 were each several hundred dollars in excess of those for 1908. We hope during the current year to reach fully ten cents a week per member for missions.

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Very Important !

The HERALD goes to press Sunday morning. News Notes may be received as late as the Saturday night before. All other matter intended for publication must reach us not later than Thursday, otherwise it will be left over until the next issue.

The Lake Union Conference

It is now definitely decided that the fifth biennial session of the Lake Union Conference will be held at Battle Creek, Michigan, February 8-18, 1910, beginning at 7:30 P. M., February 8. More will be said in regard to the conference hereafter.

The HERALD is growing in the estimation of the people, and should be read by all. But the question is, How shall it reach those who are not subscribers, unless somebody presents it to them? How would it do for each subscriber to make himself a committee of one to secure another subscriber? And if there are those he cannot reach very well, send the names to the editor so that sample copies may be sent them.

Clubbing Offer

We are now authorized to announce that all conferences in the Lake Union, that publish local papers, have agreed to a club rate with the HERALD at sixty cents for the two. So send sixty cents to your tract society, and receive both your local paper and the LAKE UNION HERALD.

Indiana

The tithe of our conference for December was several hundred dollars larger than for any previous month so far as our records show, reaching \$3,192.34. This made the tithe for the year 1909 a little over \$19,000, which amount is larger than the tithe received during the preceding year, 1908.

The largest single contribution to missions in the Harvest Ingathering campaign in Indiana, thus far reported,

is ten dollars. Brother W. H. Edwards received that amount from a banker in South Bend, and Brother John S. Leach, elder of the Hartford City church, received a similar amount from a manufacturer whom he solicited.

The Harvest Ingathering campaign for missions still continues in our State. A number of people who could not conveniently scatter the special *Review* and solicit contributions during the past two months have written us that they are at work now. Others are continuing the good experiences they enjoyed in November and December by using more *Reviews*.

In the Harvest Ingathering campaign of 1909, the East Side and 23d Street churches of Indianapolis collected more than twice the sum that they raised for missions in the Thanksgiving Ingathering campaign of the preceding year, receiving, respectively, \$45 and \$105. Brethren R. C. Wirth and R. W. Hostetler, elders of these churches, each distributed more than a hundred papers and gathered in more than ten dollars.

Northern Illinois

We were pleased to receive a pleasant call last week from Brother H. N. Standish and wife of Viola, Ill.

The sum of \$1334.29, various offerings for missions, was forwarded to headquarters from this office last week.

Brother John Hicks gave us a call early this week. He has just finished a very successful delivery of "Great Controversy." He is still planning to make the canvassing work his business.

All our regular canvassers and those who are expecting to enter this line of work would do well to attend the Canvasser's Institute, which has been appointed to be held at the Academy, Sheridan, Ill., Jan. 20-30.

The auditing committee, which has been appointed to audit the worker's accounts for 1909, will meet at the conference office, Chicago, Jan. 18. We wish to ask our workers to forward their annual reports to this office at their earliest convenience.

Our friends should bear in mind that we have moved our office from Room 670 to Room 650 in the same building at 324 Dearborn St. It seems very good indeed to have a little more room in which to work and move about. All who have seen our present quarters are much pleased with them.

At the close of last week's business we had received \$717.67 on the Harvest Ingathering offering for missions. We are expecting that this amount will be raised considerably before the work with the special *Review* is finished. We

still have a few hundred copies on hand at this office and would be glad to supply any who are desirous of continuing in this good work.

Southern Illinois

Elder W. Woodford went to Flora Wednesday, Jan. 5, to assist in binding off the work at that place.

Brother Albert Bensen of Pittsfield passed through Springfield last week on his way to Carterville where he is to canvass.

Brother John Shuler spent a few days in Farmington last week, and on his return to Flora spent a few hours at the tract society office.

Miss Mary Craig spent a few days in Springfield last week on her return to Jacksonville from Decatur where she has been spending the holidays and getting some much needed rest.

The tract society is obliged to raise the price of cooking oil 25 cents for a five gallon can. Those who have been sending for it in the past will please take notice, and add 25 cents to your order.

Sunday, January 2, the auditors and conference committee met in Springfield to audit the laborers' accounts for the year 1909. In the evening at seven o'clock the First and Second Springfield churches met in the First church building for a service. Elder Allen Moon occupied the hour, and gave some profitable instruction. After the service, Brother L. W. Browne was set apart to the gospel ministry by ordination.

A crowd of troubles passed him by,
As he with courage waited.
He said: "Where do you troubles fly
When you are thus belated?"
"We go," they said, "to those who mope,
Who look on life dejected,
Who weakly say good-bye to hope;
We go—where we're expected."

—Selected.

To Teachers

The printing office has laid away a quantity of colored paper trimmings about 2x14 inches which we thought might be of use to the church-school teachers. We will be glad to send some of these to any of the teachers who will pay for postage and packing. Ten cents or more will furnish quite a package.

Business Notice

WANTED.—Sabbath-keeping man to work on farm. Steady work for the right man. Must be good with horses and a gentle milker. State age, experience, if able-bodied, also wages desired. J. S. Comins, R. D. 6, Battle Creek, Mich.