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

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YOUR PLACE

Just where you stand in the conflict,
There is your place ;
Just where you think you are useless,
Hide not your face.
God placed you there for a purpose,
Whate'er it be.
Think! He has chosen you for it ;
Work loyally.
Gird on your armor! be faithful
At toil or rest,
Whiche'er it be, never doubting
God's way is best.
Out in the fight, or on picket,
Stand firm and true ;
This is the work that your Master
Gives you to do.

—Selected.

The South of the North

At the close of the Civil War, the colored people found themselves in a pitiable condition—a condition of freed men with all the responsibilities that freedom brings, but without education, property, money, or anything that would fit them to bear well these responsibilities.

A number of them remained with their former masters, while the majority left the plantations where they had been enslaved, and sought work elsewhere, thinking that they could not be free indeed if they continued to work for their old masters, even for pay.

Not being used to paying their slaves, and being opposed to their emancipation, the masters cheated their laborers, until they could barely exist. Exasperated, and realizing their freedom, they ceased from work. The problem became so great, that Congress turned its attention to the subject, and established the Freedmen's Bureau. Abandoned lands were bought by this bureau, and leased or sold to the colored people, and a promise of forty acres and a mule was made.

About this time the Freedmen's Bank was established, in which the colored people deposited their savings. These institutions had not existed many years before the Commissioner of the Freedmen's Bureau reported to the freedmen that the promise of a forty acre piece of land and a mule was no longer good, for there had been a mistake somewhere.

With the prestige of the government back of it, the Freedmen's Bank had done much good in developing thrift among the colored people ; but it was too good a thing to continue ;

in one sad day came the crash,—all the hard earned dollars of the freedmen disappeared, and with them the faith in saving went too, and the faith in the white man. This resulted in shiftlessness, and soon the child of shiftlessness was born—crime, dark and terrible.

In this sad plight, quite a number of the colored people turned their faces toward the North where they believed that chances for making a living were better. They came and found the North an oasis in comparison with the dreary desert of the South. Since that day, they have been coming, until to-day there are about three millions of that race in the North, and statistics show that the migration increases yearly.

These have brought with them their southern ideas of life and religion, and although moderation has resulted from association with Northerners, yet these people may truly be called the South of the North.

The needs of the South are great, but the needs of the South of the North are greater. This may be clearly seen when the following is considered. In the South there is organized effort put forth for the education and general uplifting of the colored people. In the North, this is not so. They are allowed to drift among the whites, and enter mixed schools, leaving oftentimes before they have finished the grades of the common school. Few go to the high schools, and fewer yet to colleges. Not having trained minds, and not having developed self-control, they become an easy prey to the vices of our large cities. The religion brought from the South is soon forgotten in their race for the "almighty dollar."

It is our bounden duty as bearers of the third angel's message to help this people who are found at our very doors. We alone can help them; for is not the great threefold message a panacea for all mankind? Let us not look away from the North, for here the field is already white to harvest; and does not charity begin at home?

Nothing appeals more to one's sympathy for the needy than facts which show their need; and here I will append a few facts concerning the colored people of both North and South.

"There are seven and a fraction white people in this country for every colored person; but only one minister for the colored people to thirty-three for the white people; only one training-school for the colored people to twenty-eight for the white people; only one sanitarium for the colored people to fifty for the white people." Forty-four per cent of the colored people are illiterate, whereas only six per cent of the white people are branded with illiteracy. And to crown it all, the colored people are dying faster than the white people.

The figures given above are principally true of the South, for in the North this work has scarcely been touched, despite the fact that thirty per cent of the colored people live here. Is it not time that we believe the statement of the spirit of prophecy which says that what should be done for the colored people should be done quickly?

But some one may say, "I am tired of the calls for money for the work which is being done for the colored people. I have given much already, and yet I see no results. I believe it is useless to work for them, for it seems impossible for them to advance. They are a good-for-nothing race anyhow. Let them help themselves if they need help."

This position is not to be condemned altogether, seeing

that one is always inspired to help those who help themselves. What such an one needs who would make the above assertion is information,

When the Jewish delegation would impress Jesus that He should heal the centurion's servant, they stated that the centurion was worthy of His aid, because he had done something commendable. He was a man that had helped himself and others. The Negro race is a needy race—a race in its babyhood; and who would not assist a puny, feeble baby? It needs every means of assistance we can afford. But the principal argument we would set forth as a reason for your helping us, is that we have helped and are helping ourselves. Note the following:—

There are forty thousand negro students in colleges, studying all branches from trades to scientific and classical courses. More than forty thousand have already graduated from colleges, and the same number from various secondary institutions. There are thirty thousand teachers, sixteen thousand clergymen, four thousand musicians, seventeen thousand physicians and surgeons, one thousand lawyers, three hundred journalists, two hundred thirty-six artists, eighty-two bankers and fifty-two architects. The property owned amounts to about one billion five hundred million dollars. They operate 416,718 farms, and own 187,797 of these.

All will admit that this is a good report for a baby race. But look at the millions of us who are not counted in this number. In spite of this good report, we need your sympathy and your kind assistance, temporal and spiritual; for are we not needy? and it has been proved that we are worthy. We, therefore, solicit your *praying* and your *paying*.

In Springfield, we are working energetically for the South of the North, and the Lord is blessing our efforts. We desire to heartily thank all who have contributed donations to our church building. We are glad to say that the church debt has been reduced to about one hundred dollars. We need your further aid. Will you remember us at this time, and show your sympathy by sending us whatever you can afford, however small, it will be appreciated.

In closing, permit me to use the words of a southern colored boy who was in school at a time when an address was made by a northern philanthropist. When the school was asked what message it would send to the North, this little boy arose and said, "Tell dem we'se rising."

L. W. BROWNE.

Foreign Missionary Work at Home

The population of Wisconsin in 1900 was 2,049,042. Of these, 749,625 are Germans—more than one third of the entire population. Next in point of numbers is the Scandinavian population of 265,705—over one eighth. Then the Polish 85,345, the Bohemian 38,745, the French 34,657. Then in numbers ranging from a score to fifteen thousand each are the Armenians, Austrians, Bulgarians, Chinese, Croats, Hungarians, Italians, Japanese, Russians, Lithuanian, Portuguese, Roumanian, Slovak, Spanish, and Turkish, with an additional 68,333 making a grand total of 1,242,404.

Three fourths of our people are foreigners born, besides the many thousands who are born in this country.

How can we reach these people with the last warning message? We have literature containing this truth in every one of these languages herein named. We have a large supply of books, periodicals, pamphlets, and tracts in the German, Norwegian, Danish, and Swedish languages. In the French we have eleven books, twelve pamphlets, and fourteen tracts, and two papers. In the Holland we have nine books, thirteen pamphlets, fourteen tracts, and one paper. In the Finnish we have four books, eighteen tracts, and two papers. Bohemian, two books, six tracts, one paper; Bulgarian, two

books, six tracts; Chinese, eleven tracts; Armenian, four tracts; Greek, one tract; Hungarian, four books, eighteen tracts, and two papers; Italian, two books, six tracts, one paper, fifteen small leaflets; Japanese, three books, four tracts; Lithuanian, two books, nineteen tracts; Polish, one book, fifteen tracts; Portuguese, four books, ten tracts; Roumanian, three books, eight tracts, one paper; Russian, four books, twelve tracts, one paper; Servian, one book, six tracts; Slovakian, seven tracts; Spanish, five books, one pamphlet, twelve tracts; Turkish, fourteen tracts. Then we have Bibles of various styles and prices in every one of these languages. These are the peoples and tongues found in Wisconsin. There are many other languages, sixty in all, in which the truth is printed in books, pamphlets, tracts, and papers.

All of these publications are named in a catalogue which can be had by writing to Elder O. A. Olsen, 324 Dearborn Street, Room 650, Chicago, Ill. Each librarian in the State or the church elders should have one of these. You can get them for the asking. Then you can order through the Wisconsin Tract Society some books, pamphlets, tracts, or papers in the language of such people as live near you. How glad an Italian, a Finn, or a Polish or Spanish speaking person would be to find something here in America printed in his own familiar language. Many of these people have very little or no literature in their language printed in this country. You can give them a small tract that costs you but one or two cents. It awakens an interest. You may have a chance to sell them a book soon and so the seeds of truth are sown in the heart. When it bears fruit, a worker has been found who will communicate what he has found so dear to him to his people in his native land.

Who will help? Who will co-operate in this effort? You are constantly contributing means to send and support missionaries in the foreign lands and that is right, but why not do something for the foreigners who are here next to our doors who can do and will do more for their countrymen in the home-land than we can. Let us hear from those who are willing. Address Grand Rapids, Wis., Box 57.

C. McREYNOLDS.

Dr. George Runck

Dr. George Runck died March 17 at 12:15 P. M. while on the train en route to his parent's home in Nebraska. During his illness he had perfect peace in Jesus; was happy and spent his time in praying, quoting the Scriptures, and praising the Lord. He felt a great burden for the third angel's message and hoped it might be the Lord's will to restore him to health so he could continue to work for the Master. But he was resigned to the Lord's will.

He pleaded with those out of the truth to give their hearts to God. He wanted them to realize the peace that comes to the heart surrendered to Jesus for service. The last text he repeated was the afternoon before he died when we were moving him from his bed at the Hinsdale Sanitarium in Illinois to start on our journey West. It was Isa. 40:31. "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary, and they shall walk and not faint."

He seemed to enjoy the trip on the train and rested well until about eleven o'clock. We then gave him some treatment. We found his pulse growing weaker. He told us to pray. During this hour he shouted victory with a strong voice. As soon as his voice failed him he closed his eyes in death, passing away instantly without a struggle.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them."

The funeral services were conducted in the Congregational

church at Alma, Nebraska, by Elder A. T. Robinson, assisted by Pastor A. A. Robertson.

MRS. GEORGE RUNCK.

The following resolutions were passed by the College and Berrien Springs (Michigan) church.

Whereas, We, the faculty and students of Emmanuel Missionary College, have in the recent untimely death of Dr. George Runck lost a valued friend and brother and the cause of God a devoted, efficient laborer; therefore,

RESOLVED, That we express our sorrow for the loss we have sustained, and extend to the relatives of Dr. Runck, especially his bereaved companion, our sincere sympathy in their sore trial and bereavement.

Whereas, Our beloved brother Dr. George Runck has been taken from us by death; therefore,

RESOLVED, That we, the Seventh-day Adventist church of Berrien Springs, Michigan, extend to Dr. Roxette Runck and other relatives, our heartfelt sympathy—a sympathy intensified by the consciousness that the loss is ours as well as theirs. In view of the glorious promises of a soon coming Saviour when all of our loved ones will be restored to us, we are exhorted not to sorrow as others who have no hope. The memory of our brother's faithful, disinterested work as an officer of our church and Sabbath-school, gives us confidence that he is of the number of whom it is said, "they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session of the West Michigan Conference Fourth Meeting

(Gleaned from Minutes)

Consideration of the treasurer's report was the order of the day when the three statements made by the Lake Union Auditor were read, and some explanation made by the Chair and former treasurer. Numerous questions were asked and the report discussed.

It was voted that the report be laid on the table.

The report of the field secretary was read by A. C. Haughey which showed that in all ten agents have been in the field. Only one however being an "all-the-year-round worker." The sales per individual canvasser for the past year have ranged from \$35 to \$360. Two earned scholarships in Emmanuel Missionary College.

Fifth Meeting

The Committee on Revision of Constitution reported. The constitution was adopted as reported with the exception of one article which was referred back to the committee.

Plans and Resolutions

The Committee on Plans rendered the following partial report:

1. Recognizing the hand of a merciful Heavenly Father in the many opening providences in the home land and in the regions beyond; in the measure of success that has attended our work; in the protecting care that has been over our institutions; and in the restoration to health of many who have been dangerously sick; we hereby express our heartfelt gratitude to God, and pledge anew our loyalty to His cause by consecrating ourselves and our means to His service.

2. *Whereas*, At the last session of the General Conference it was voted that a fund of \$300,000 be raised, to be used in building and equipping needed institutions in foreign mission fields, and for the building of homes for our workers sent to these fields; therefore,

RESOLVED, That as a conference, we cheerfully accept our pro rata share of this fund, and that plans be laid at once to raise our apportionment, with the view of completing the work before the next session of the General Conference.

3. **RESOLVED**, That we express our appreciation of the ef-

forts made by various temperance organizations toward the abolition of the liquor traffic, and that we urge our people to do whatever they can by pen, by voice, and by vote to exterminate the saloon and its attendant evils.

4. *Whereas*, In the special temperance numbers of our denominational periodicals we have excellent material for temperance work, but with date of publication too late for use in campaign work the same year that it is printed; therefore,

RESOLVED, (1.) That we ask the publishers to issue future numbers as early as the first of March, and to advertise them even earlier than this date; and

WE RECOMMEND, (2.) That our members make special effort to use these periodicals with other temperance literature in counties agitating the question of local option.

5. In order that more efficient work may be done in the various departments,

WE RECOMMEND, That as far as possible, the heads of these departments be relieved from other duties.

6. **WE RECOMMEND**, That each Sabbath-school make a vigorous effort to see that each teacher and officer has a copy of the *Sabbath School Worker* for his special use, and that he study it carefully, and seek to work in harmony with the plans there outlined.

7. Realizing the great need of trained teachers in our Sabbath-schools,

WE RECOMMEND, That all Sabbath-school teachers and as many others as possible take the Teachers' Reading Course with a view of becoming more efficient in soul winning.

8. Believing that our cause needs all our young people in its service,

WE RECOMMEND that we keep before the minds of our people the importance of Christian education, both in church schools and the higher institutions of learning, as a means to this end.

9. *Whereas*, The LAKE UNION HERALD, which sustains the same relation to the work in the conferences of this union that the *Review* does to the field at large, does not have the wide circulation in West Michigan that it deserves; therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, That all our ministers and other workers be urged to report more faithfully through its columns, and that they put forth special efforts to secure subscriptions at every church for this valuable paper.

Sixth Meeting

The secretary of the Committee on Plans submitted a further partial report and moved it adoption.

10. **RESOLVED**, That all our churches resume the holding of weekly missionary meetings.

11. **RESOLVED**, That our church members be encouraged to make out a faithful report of missionary work done, handing the same to the church missionary secretary (librarian) each Sabbath or at the weekly missionary meeting.

12. *Whereas*, The sale of our periodicals alone amounted to forty-one per cent of our total literature sales in the United States during the last year; therefore

RESOLVED, That we continue to present this profitable branch of missionary work to Seventh-day Adventists, young, middle-aged, and old, as a means of spreading the message, and also of earning a competent livelihood.

13. *Whereas*. "God has ordained the canvassing work as a means of presenting before the people the light contained in our books."

WE RECOMMEND, That, as officers, workers, and people we give this branch of the work our hearty support by our prayers, influence and work in the field.

14. *Whereas*, The sanitariums in the Lake Union Conference are heavily encumbered with debts and are in need of our aid; therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, That we heartily concur in the plan adopted at the Lake Union Conference held at Battle Creek

to sell "Ministry of Healing" and *Life and Health* to provide means for the relief of these institutions.

15. Believing that all our members should be encouraged to greater faithfulness in home missionary endeavor

WE RECOMMEND, That in all our churches the service upon the fourth Sabbath of each month be devoted to the consideration of this work, and that an offering for the work be taken.

WE further RECOMMEND, That the services of the field missionary secretary be enlisted in providing interesting matter to be used upon this occasion.

16. Believing that better results would be obtained by having something definite to hold up before our young people of the Missionary Volunteers as an object for the expenditure of their means; therefore,

WE RECOMMEND, That all money taken up in the regular collection be sent to the conference office to be expended in carrying forward some missionary enterprise that may be agreed upon by the conference committee and the Missionary Volunteer secretary.

Seventh Meeting

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:

For president, S. E. Wight; secretary and treasurer of conference and tract society, E. L. Richmond; executive committee, S. E. Wight, W. E. Videto, H. W. Miller, W. C. Hebner, A. L. Curtis, Wm. Reefman, J. E. Root; field missionary Agent, C. J. Tolf; Missionary Volunteer secretary, O. L. Denslow.

Other departmental workers referred to the conference committee.

Auditing committee: R. A. Hart, Ralph Osborn, Ezra Brackett, A. T. Benjamin, J. A. McAllister, F. V. Eastman, J. B. Sperry, Melvin Wells.

Elder Wight was called forward and made a few remarks. He stated that he did not care to accept the position and it was only upon the advice of the General Conference brethren that he was doing so. Elder Daniells said that when he came to this conference he had no idea that Elder Wight would be asked to take this position.

Moved by R. A. Hart that the name of Wm. Hefley be substituted for his own as a member of the auditing committee. Carried.

The report as a whole was adopted.

Committee on Plans presented another partial report with the motion to adopt.

17. In order to secure greater accuracy, and eliminate in a large degree, possible errors in bookkeeping,

WE RECOMMEND, That as far as practicable all cash be banked and all bills paid by check.

18. WE RECOMMEND, That greater efforts be made to extend our work among the people of foreign nationalities in our conference, and that a beginning be made in this by providing, if possible, two laborers for the Holland people.

19. Believing that our people generally should be better informed upon the subject of health reform including simple treatments in the care of the sick,

WE RECOMMEND, That our medical secretary inaugurate a campaign of education along these lines, and that it be carried on both by personal work and by correspondence.

20. Feeling a bond of sympathy with the work being carried on by Professor and Mrs. McKee, we hereby express our approval of this work and pledge to it our moral support.

21. RESOLVED, That we urge upon our people throughout the conference, the importance of thorough study of the Word of God, not only upon the special points of our faith, but such religious subjects as are interesting the masses of the people at the present time, that they may be ready to give an answer for their faith to any who might ask.

Elder G. B. Thompson presented the following resolution and moved its adoption:—

Whereas, rumors detrimental to the standing and character of Prof. Clifford A. Russell have been persistently circulated in this conference, and have extended to other conferences as well, and

Whereas, a committee was called together by Professor Russell, composed of more than thirty of the delegates and friends attending this conference who were somewhat conversant with these rumors and in a position to speak regarding the truthfulness of these reports, and

Whereas it was the opinion of this committee that these serious rumors were entirely false, and without any real foundation; therefore

RESOLVED, That as a conference we entirely vindicate Professor Russell from these serious rumors which have been circulated, and recommend him to the confidence of our people everywhere.

This recommendation was carried unanimously.

Eighth Meeting

Committee on Plans submitted the following final report:—
No. 22. We accept the action of the Otsego Academy Board in incorporating this institution and in providing the necessary dormitory accommodations for the students.

No. 23. WE RECOMMEND, That the conference committee consider favorably the question of providing Bible teachers for Emmanuel Missionary College, Battle Creek Industrial Academy, and Otsego Academy.

No. 24. WE RECOMMEND, That our more isolated churches and companies be visited by our workers as frequently as is consistent with the progress of the work at large.

No. 25. *Whereas* in the untimely death of Dr. Geo. Runck we have lost an earnest Christian brother and a faithful laborer in the third angel's message; therefore,

RESOLVED, That while we submit to the will of God in this, yet we do hereby express our heartfelt sympathy for his relatives in their affliction, and especially for his bereaved wife.

No. 26. As delegates to this session of the West Michigan Conference we desire to express our appreciation of the efforts put forth by the brethren and sisters of the Grand Rapids church and our friends in the city in caring for this large delegation in such a careful and painstaking manner.

Ninth Meeting

The Committee on Licenses and Credentials submitted the following report:—

For Credentials: S. E. Wight, A. G. Haughey, W. C. Hebner, A. C. Bourdeau, W. R. Matthews, S. D. Hartwell, C. A. Hansen, W. E. Videto, M. S. Burnham, A. Smith, G. W. Amadon, J. M. Wilbur, R. C. Horton, John W. Covert, E. Van Deusen, H. Nicola, I. D. Van Horn.

For Ministerial License: S. S. Gray, O. L. Denslow, R. U. Garrett, J. M. Hoyt, C. A. Russell, C. J. Tolf.

For Missionary License: Jennie DeYoung, Mrs. Cleora Green, Ellen Oxley, Mattie White, Eva D. Howe, Fred Green, E. L. Richmond.

All other names were referred to the conference committee.

H. W. Miller moved that the next conference be held in connection with the camp-meeting.

The question as to what the Testimonies say about this was raised. Elder Daniells explained the matter as he understood it. He felt that it had always been proper for the conference and camp-meeting to be held together, but that some of the unnecessary business that was formerly transacted at the same time should be eliminated. The motion carried.

Motion to adjourn without date prevailed.

A. G. HAUGHEY, *Chairman*,
E. L. RICHMOND, *Secretary*.

East Michigan Conference

The East Michigan Conference held its eighth annual session from March 30, to April 3, 1910. Ninety delegates were present representing sixty-four churches and companies.

Harmony and union prevailed throughout the meeting. In fact it was the best of all the conferences held since our organization. Elder Allen Moon and Elder G. B. Thompson and J. B. Blosser were among the visiting brethren. The following are the officers elected, and the parties to whom credentials were granted:

President: E. K. Slade; Secretary and Treasurer: E. I. Beebe.

Executive Committee: E. K. Slade, E. I. Beebe, A. R. Sandborn, D. P. Wood, Frank Hiner.

East Michigan Conference Association: E. K. Slade, E. I. Beebe, A. R. Sandborn, D. P. Wood, Frank Hiner.

Adelphian Academy Board: E. K. Slade, E. I. Beebe, A. R. Sandborn, D. P. Wood, Frank Hiner, E. F. Dresser.

Auditing Committee: Daniel Hale, H. A. Fenner, Daniel Wood, E. N. Hatt, E. S. Skeels, Dr. G. G. Brown.

Departments: Tract Society Secretary Treasurer, Frank Hiner; Field Missionary Secretary, Frank Hiner; Field Missionary Agent, J. H. McEachern; Educational and Missionary Volunteer Secretary, H. A. Boylan; Sabbath-school Secretary, Tillie E. Barr; Religious Liberty Secretary, H. A. Weaver; Medical Secretary, to be filled by Committee.

Ministerial Credentials: E. K. Slade, E. I. Beebe, J. L. Edgar, L. G. Moore, Wm Ostrander, A. R. Sandborn, C. N. Sanders, B. F. Stureman, E. R. Lauda, D. P. Wood.

Ministerial License: H. A. Boylan, J. H. McEachern, C. L. White, Fred Hoxie, H. S. Guilford, H. A. Weaver, Harry Wescott.

Missionary Licentiates: Tillie E. Barr, Katherine M. Dunham, Nora B. Ammon, H. L. Cohoon, Frank Hiner, Marie P. Harriman, Beatrice Harter, Mina Pierce, Mabel L. Reavis Katherine Weaver.

Canvasser's Credentials: B. F. Williams, Floyd J. Rowland, C. F. Mahr, Geo. Hainer, Harrison Face, W. D. Moore, Mrs. C. S. Countryman.

(Plans and Resolutions will be printed next week.)

E. K. SLADE, *Chairman*,
E. I. BEEBE, *Secretary*.

Missionary Volunteer Societies

I have recently organized two new Y. P. M. V. societies, one at Ola and the other at Edenville. The one at Ola being composed almost entirely of those who have lately come into the truth.

H. A. BOYLAN.

Chicago Young People

A young people's convention for the churches of Chicago and vicinity was held in the 46th Street church, March 5 and 6. Prof. M. E. Kern, General Secretary of Missionary Volunteers, spent several days with us, and rendered most valuable assistance. In attendance were representatives from Hinsdale, Elgin, and Kankakee. Some very excellent papers were read, and valuable suggestions given in discussion. A deep interest was manifested throughout the convention, and many expressed themselves as being greatly pleased and benefited. The following statements from Elder Covert are suggestive:

"The program of the young people's convention was a very good one, and the subjects were creditably handled. The time is here when more of our young people should take hold bravely and strongly to do an important part. The temperance feature of the convention was largely directed to a consideration of the evils of tobacco and the cigarette. We trust that many more conventions of this kind can be held in our conference."

We greatly appreciated the presence and remarks of Miss Lucy Page Gaston, Superintendent of the National Anti-Cigarette League, on the second day of the convention. A rapt attention was given to her stirring talk, and when at the close a call was made for those present to unite with the Anti-

Cigarette Band of a million members now being formed, more than fifty signatures were quickly secured and arrangements made for securing many more. Miss Gaston expressed herself as follows:

"I was privileged to attend the convention last Sunday of Seventh-day Adventist young people, and to participate somewhat in the proceedings. There was a directness and practical application to present day needs in the papers and discussions that was refreshing, as well as an earnestness and consecration that assure the blessing of God.

"The vigorous work being planned along temperance lines interested me specially, and the ready and enthusiastic co-operation given in our work was greatly appreciated. The Seventh-day Adventist people evidently are destined to be no small factor in our efforts to enlist an army of a million in the fight against the cigarette and to save the boys of the nation."

We were favored one day of the convention with the presence of Brother W. E. Straw of Berrien Springs, Michigan, and would have been glad to have had him with us to the end, had his work permitted.

This was the best meeting of its kind ever held in this conference. We shall strive that it be not the last. Our Missionary Volunteer secretary is temporarily filling a vacancy occasioned in the Fox River Academy faculty, and could not be present, but we are glad to report such a satisfactory effort in behalf of our young people and their work in Chicago. We are sure that all who attended will welcome another of its kind; and we beg leave to suggest the practicability and benefits of such conventions to our sister conferences.

E. F. COLLIER.

Among the Churches—Wisconsin

March 21 I went to Portage to look for a location for the camp-meeting. Brother Allen and I looked over the place and found ground on which the meeting could be held, but none as suitable as we could wish, and so nothing definite was decided. On the 23d I went to Sand Prairie and here found farm work beginning in earnest. I held two meetings with them and found them thinking seriously about the "Ministry of Healing" campaign. Some had already effected sales although they had not yet received their books.

From Sand Prairie I went to La Farge March 25. The train being late I did not reach there until after the beginning of the Sabbath. We held two meetings each day until the 28th. I found that nothing had yet been done here for the Relief Campaign, but all agreed to do what they could, beginning at once. On the 28th I went to Readstown. This church has been ravaged by the enemy. Few are left and more are leaving. Their Sabbath-school is for the present broken up. One brother here agreed to take six books.

The next visit was to Cassville to attend the quarterly meeting of the Waterloo church, seven miles out in the country. This church is made up wholly of farmers and they being very much scattered and in the midst of spring seeding, we can only hold Sabbath meetings. The ordinances were celebrated and the church placed in a position to go on with another year's work. We trust that a sweet spirit may prevail and each member do his duty.

To-morrow I go to Victory, and pray that it may be a victory in deed and in truth. My prayer is that God will breathe upon His people everywhere a spirit of work for the Master, and thus heal all our petty troubles. Brethren, we need your prayers in this part of the vineyard. Shall we not have them? Amen.

D. H. OBERHOTZER.

Madison Sanitarium

I am glad the LAKE UNION HERALD is to become a weekly visitor in all our homes in Wisconsin. I have been a subscriber over a year. Brethren, open the door and let this friendly visitor in.

The Sanitarium family welcome the early spring. We are endeavoring to keep in tune with the robins who greet us each morning with their songs of praise to the Creator.

Miss Alice Bramhall who has been our bookkeeper since the sanitarium began its ministry of love, is arranging to take a much needed rest. She has been a faithful laborer. We hope she may return again renewed in health.

A number of the freshman class are taking a vacation now. The seniors are preparing for their graduating exercises to be held about the 18th of this month.

Mrs. Stebbins who has been absent a number of weeks caring for a sick daughter in Kansas City is expected home sometime this month.

May all our sanitariums fill the place God designs.

W. W. STEBBINS, *Chaplain.*

West Michigan

THREE RIVERS.—The truth is slowly gaining ground in this city. The camp-meeting left a good impression; but the attendance was small on account of the distance from the city.

Elder W. G. Kneeland conducted two tent meetings, assisted by A. L. Thompson and myself. Very little interest was manifested by the citizens in these meetings, although they were thoroughly advertised and personal invitations were given by the workers. Over thirty thousand pages of tracts, besides periodicals were distributed. The different denominations are well represented.

After the tent meeting I was left to follow up the work.

Two accepted the truth in December as the result of Bible work, and others are in the valley of decision. Several families are studying the message and I believe some of them will take their stand with us.

A Sabbath-school has been organized which will help to build up a work in this city. Since the conference, the "Family Bible Teacher" has been used with good results. The people are very conservative and it takes time to gain their confidence and do a personal work in their homes. I find my hands full in attending to the growing interest in Bible truth.

Pray for the work here.

E. A. MERRIAM.

North Michigan

IRON RIVER.—It was my privilege recently to visit the Swedish church at Iron River. Brother Peterson of Houghton was with me a few days.

This church has a membership of about thirty-four and a nice church building. Several meetings were held while I was there and God blessed us as He always does when His people come together in the name of Jesus.

The needs of the foreign fields were presented together with the \$300,000 Fund and the Acre Plan for raising the money for this fund. All were interested in the plan. I visited every Seventh-day Adventist family in the community and received \$12.40 in cash for the foreign fields and \$124 in pledges.

I am sure that God's special blessing will be with this dear people and His people everywhere who do the will of God. We all can have a part in the work in the foreign mission fields.

May God bless this money and the workers in the foreign fields as well as in the home fields is my prayer.

KARL STENBERG.

A Call for Canvassers

Do you realize that we are living on borrowed time and that God has a work for you to do and but a short time in which to do it? Have you heard His call to scatter the printed page? But you may say, "I cannot sell books."

Dear Friend, God can help you if you will let Him. He says, "Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of My righteousness." Isa. 41:10. He also says, "In the world ye shall have tribulation, but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." So when prices go up and it seems as though we cannot stay in the field, let us remember God is with us.

God has said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man," and the fulfilment of that solemn time is nigh at hand, for we are told, "God's Spirit is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth." In view of this solemn truth let us pray earnestly for more workers in the canvassing field, and if you hear the call, go, and the precious promises of His presence are yours. God is blessing me and He will bless you.

Sparta, Wis.

LOUIS SCHOLZ.

East Michigan Conference Book Department

A number of our canvassers attended the conference and were seated as delegates.

The annual report for 1909 was as follows: 22 agents; 5,074 hours; 10,000 exhibitions; 2,500 orders taken; total value \$5,073.20. This is a gain of over \$1,048.60 over 1908, and \$4,313.55 more than was sold in 1907.

We praise God for the victories each worker has had, and we expect to meet souls in the kingdom of God as a result of our labors. The mothers and fathers in Israel who have shared their hospitalities with our canvassers, and prayed for them in their trials will also share in the rejoicing and in the eternal reward.

A resolution was passed by the conference granting experienced and worthy canvassers credentials, thus recognizing them as self-supporting missionaries.

A great work remains to be done in East Michigan, but the laborers are few. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

Some will surely volunteer and attend the institute at Holly, April 22-May 2.

J. H. McEACHERN.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

APRIL 8, 1910

*East Michigan

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
Geo. Hainer (Del.).....D. R.	26½	4	12 00	1 00	13 00	
Mary A. Lewis (Del.).....D. R.	7	2	5 00	9 00	14 00	
F. J. Rowland.....D. R.	8	6	16 75	50	17 25	
	41½	12	33 75	10 50	44 25	

North Michigan

W. W. Christian...(Del.) G. C.	131	5	17 00	60 10	77 10
K. V. Bjork (Del.)...Finn Rev.	49	2	7 75	9 05	16 80
Mrs. L. A. Newell.....Sm. bks.	4	...	...	35	35
	184	7	24 75	69 50	94 25

Wisconsin

N. O. Kittleson.....B. R.	43	18	65 00	3 50	68 50
A. Carlson.....G. C.	40	8	27 00	3 00	30 00
Louis Scholz.....B. R.	20	4	15 00	2 20	17 20
†Otis O. Potter.....G. C.	1	1	3 00	1 65	4 65
	104	31	110 00	10 35	120 35

Southern Illinois

E. L. Graham.....D. R.	27½	14	42 00	2 50	44 50
Hugo Mutzelfelt.....G. C.	42	9	28 00	14 75	42 75
T. B. House (Del.).....B. R.	6	...	...	...	...
J. E. Dent.....B. R.	23	8	28 00	19 00	47 00
Etta Harrison.....D. R.	5	2	6 00	50	6 50
W. E. Bailey.....B. R.	18	10	31 00	.....	31 00
C. R. Duncan.....B. R.	14	2	6 00	.....	6 00
A. J. Scott.....C. K.	...	25	19 00	3 50	22 50
	135½	70	\$160 00	\$40 25	\$200 25

18 agents. 465 120 \$328 50 \$130 60 \$459 10
*Two weeks. †Week ending Apr. 1. ‡Three weeks.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Emmanuel Missionary College

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Colburn, now teaching at Sioux Rapids, Iowa, are planning to attend Summer School.

Mr. Paul Legg is now at home attending school. His parents have recently purchased the Kirkendall property and moved here from Indiana.

Professor Rathbun tells us that the boys have nearly completed the new cistern at his house, and that the tinning and plumbing are also well along, and that they hope to be able to use it in a few days.

Last Sunday afternoon a special interurban car, engaged by the music committee of the First Baptist church of Benton Harbor, took the members of Chior Emmanuel, forty-seven strong, to that city, where they gave a sacred concert in the evening. They were directed by Professor Gerritsen, who is also director of music in the First Baptist church there, and gave a number of hymns and anthems that were very well received by the large audience present. The Benton Harbor *News Palladium* for Monday gave a very appreciative report of the visit, and the singers felt that it was profitable missionary work.

Northern Illinois

The treasury department of the conference gives an encouraging report of the tithes received this spring.

Professor W. E. Straw and O. Morris, assisted by academy students, have been blowing out stumps with dynamite on the Fox River Academy farm.

Elder J. C. Harris is working among the churches in the conference as missionary secretary and reports good meetings with an interest in the department which he represents.

We have lately been able to pay one bill of \$50, and another of a \$100, besides donating \$100 to the Tri-City Sanitarium equipment fund, all of this out of our conference income fund.

The attendance at the Aurora Sabbath-school and meetings has greatly increased since the G. A. R. Hall has been used as a meeting place. A number of Sabbath-keepers are among the new comers.

The conference committee has decided to hold several local camp-meetings this year with follow-up work to care for the interests which may be created. This plan can be carried into effect without involving a large outlay in camp equipage. By managing in this way no large camp-meeting need be attempted.

It became necessary for Miss Plugh, our conference educational superintendent, to fill the place of teacher and pre-

ceptress in Fox River Academy during the last half of the school year. She will on this account have to give more careful attention to the field work after school closes, so she will not find time to attend the summer school for teachers at Berrien Springs this year.

Wisconsin

Dr. Stillman of Granton was a welcome caller one day last week.

Sunday the 10th., Elder McReynolds held a good meeting with the Ashland church.

We were glad to have Brother Pierce of Milwaukee with us Sabbath and Sunday.

Miss Mabel Cutler spent a recent Sabbath with her parents and other relatives at Bethel.

Miss Grace Jennings of the Loma Linda (Cal.) Sanitarium is visiting her parents at Warrens, Wisconsin.

Elder T. G. Lewis conducted quarterly meeting at the Grand Rapids church. He preached there also on Friday and Saturday evenings.

Professor Fattic, of Bethel Academy, went to Madison last Monday for medical attention and treatments at the sanitarium. Our best wishes follow him for speedy restoration to health.

Some of the absent members of the Grand Rapids church were present at quarterly meeting service Sabbath, April 9, and quite a number of good letters from others read by the clerk.

We would be very glad if our brethren and sisters throughout the State would feel a little more heavily the responsibility resting upon them to furnish items and reports for our section of the HERALD. This means *you*.

Elder B. L. Post goes to Sparta the 15th to assist in the canvassers' institute which opens there that day. Brother J. B. Blosser, general agent, will be with the State agent, Brother Frank Halderson, through this institute.

We must ask our people in Wisconsin who are subscribers to the LAKE UNION HERALD to please remember to send 50 cents when renewing for same, in addition to the amount you send us for back dues on the *Reporter*, if you are thus indebted.

A meeting of the Wisconsin Conference Association Board of Trustees was called to convene at Madison last week to authorize the sale of certain lands owned and held for the Madison Sanitarium, which had been contracted to the St. Croix Timber Co. The business was transacted and the papers were sent to Elder J. H. Hoffman in Superior who is attending to the deal.

One of our canvassers, Brother Potter of Chetek, is busy these days building a house for himself and family. He writes of his deep disappointment in not being able to send in good reports,

and says it is not because of lack of interest and love for the canvassing work, but that he finds utterly impossible to hire help, hence has all the building to do himself. He is looking forward to the time when he can resume work in the field.

West Michigan

Mrs. C. A. Hansen has gone on a visit to Trufant.

Miss Nellie Nelson is assisting in the work at the conference office.

The Otsego Academy Board held a meeting April 12, and elected officers as follows: S. E. Wight, president; Fred Green, secretary and business manager; E. L. Richmond, treasurer.

The trustees of the West Michigan Conference Association have organized with the following officers: S. E. Wight, president; W. E. Videto, secretary; E. L. Richmond, treasurer.

C. J. Tolf is located in South Lancaster, Mass., and has taken up his work as field secretary of the Atlantic Union Conference. He says there is plenty to keep him busy. We expect to have a man in his place here soon.

The conference committee met in Otsego, April 12 and 13. The following are some of the actions taken:

Mrs. Flora Williams was chosen secretary of the educational and Sabbath-school departments.

O. L. Denslow was asked to take the work of the field missionary secretary in addition to the Missionary Volunteer department.

Three tent companies were planned for the field during the summer.

The 2 per cent plan of raising certain funds was accepted as passed by the Lake Union Conference.

It was decided to call some of the workers together early in May to consider further items.

North Michigan

Next week we plan to send out a sort of a News Sheet supplement to all our people in North Michigan.

Elder Bellows reports increased interest in the city of Ishpeming. More are deciding to obey the Lord.

Miss Edith McClellan expected to visit the Onaway church Sabbath and Sunday, the 16th and 17th.

Miss Ina Baird who has been away from the office on account of the illness of her relatives has returned and taken up her work again.

Sister Hattie Loranger of Alpena writes that at the last Sabbath meeting six were taken into the church. They are all of good courage there and are doing what they can to give the message to those about them.

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The portraits of the leading rulers of
the nations is an attractive feature of
the last number of *Liberty*. It contains
a fairly complete report of the hearing
on the Johnston Sunday bill. This
number will sell wherever shown.

An interesting report comes to us
from the canvassers' institute at River-
side, and we hope to give more of the
details in our next report concerning it.
A number of the young people there
are planning to take up the work this
summer.

The Sabbath-school reports that have
been coming in the past week are very
encouraging. We are especially glad to
note the increase in number of Home
Department members; also the interest
taken in raising money for supplies so
that all donations can go to missions.

This week a large number of pledges
came from the Iron River church for
the Acre Plan. Brother Stenberg has
been laboring there for a short time.
This church is composed of Swedish
people and, although they have many
burdens to bear in their particular line
of work, yet they feel that they desire
to help along the work of this confer-
ence.

In one of the last issues of the *HERALD*
we quoted a portion of a letter from Sis-
ter Aurora Bailey who has been con-
ducting a Home Department Sabbath-
school for children not of our faith at
Arthur Bay. Their school has increased
so that they have elected a corps of
officers and the secretary writes us this
week that nearly every child in the
school expects to plant a missionary
garden.

All orders for supplies and all busi-
ness pertaining to the tract society
should be sent to the North Michigan
Tract Society which will be treasurer of
the conference. In making out money
orders and checks please make them
out to the North Michigan Tract Soci-
ety. Do not send orders for supplies to
any individual in the conference, as
sometimes the order is delayed by this.
Send direct to the tract society and
your orders will be filled promptly.

Elder Bristol is packing his goods
preparatory to leaving for Southern Illi-
nois where he will take the presidency
of that conference. He will be greatly
missed in this field as he has been con-
nected with the work here ever since the
organization of the conference. In fact,
he is the only one of the laborers who
has put in continuous time in the confer-
ence since its first organization. A large
number of friends extend to him hearty
wishes for his success in his new field.

A very enjoyable visit was made to
our church-school at East Jordan April
5-7 by our educational secretary. The
school has an enrollment of four and is
taught by Sister Sadie Hogan. Three
of the children are in the 2nd grade and
one in the 3d. Special interest is taken
in their Bible classes and we wish that
all might hear them as they recite their
verses and give short biographies of the
reformers and note their interest in our
foreign mission work. They are plan-
ning to plant missionary gardens as soon
as possible and all have a missionary
box into which they put the pennies
and nickels given them to spend for
themselves.

The conference committee held a
meeting at the office in Petoskey April
6. At this meeting the matter of the
treasurer of the conference was taken
up, and it was decided to make the
North Michigan Tract Society the trea-
surer. All our readers will please take
notice of this. In sending orders to the
office or sending money, address all
communications and make all orders
payable to the North Michigan Tract
Society. Please do not send orders for
supplies to any individual, as the orders
may be delayed for several days. Plans
were made for the camp-meetings to be
held, one in the Upper Peninsula at
Ishpeming, June 20-27, and one in the
Lower Peninsula, August 25 to Sept. 4,
but the place of the latter has not been
decided. This will be announced in a
later issue of the *HERALD*. Brother
Johnson was elected to take Elder Bris-
tol's place on the conference committee.

The Summer School

We are very anxious to have all of
our primary school teachers plan to at-
tend the Summer School to be held at
Berrien Springs this summer. It was
voted at the annual conference last fall,
to approve of the action of the confer-
ence committee in paying the transpor-
tion of the teachers to and from the
school last year, and to extend the same
privilege to all this year. The time for
opening the school will be announced
soon. Please write to me as soon as
possible that we may know how many
will go. Also, we wish to plan to get
all together in Milwaukee to go by boat

across the lake. Miss Rathbun will
meet the teachers there.

C. McREYNOLDS

Canvassers' Institute (So. Ill.)

I again call attention to the change in
the date of the institute. It is to be
held April 22 to May 2. Perhaps not
all of our prospective canvassers are
aware of the fact that if they sell \$125
worth of books, 5 per cent discount
will be credited them until their car
fare is paid to the institute, and from
the institute into the field. If conven-
ient it may be well to take some bed-
ding with you to the institute. Read
previous notice in the *HERALD* for fur-
ther particulars. E. M. FISHELL.

Notice

The Nashville Agricultural and Nor-
mal Institute has room for ten young
men and ten young women who desire
to receive a training that will fit them
for all-round self-supporting missionary
work. We can at this time give the
above number of students an exception-
al opportunity for a practical training.
Those who desire to take advantage of
this splendid offer should write at once
for particulars, as the school and the san-
itarium will not be able to take in more
than twenty on the terms that we can
make just now.

Any who desire training for self-sup-
porting school work should apply at
once. Address E. A. Sutherland,
Madison, Tennessee.

FOR SALE.—Ten acres of land one-
fourth of a mile from Bethel Academy.
A new house, barn, and good well.
For particulars address J. C. Neilson,
Bethel, Wis.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS.— Senator
Dunlap, 40c per 100; \$3 per 1000.
Parson's Beauty, 50c per 100; \$3.75 per
1000. Glen Mary, 50c per 100; \$4 per
1000. Postage, 25c per 100; 50 at 100
rate, 500 at 1000 rate. Rush your order.
Catalogue free. Lake View Nursery,
George Jorgensen & Son, Box 21, Poy
Sippi, Wis.

WANTED AT ONCE.—A church-school
teacher of experience to teach the school
at Plainfield, Wis. A six-month's term,
to begin just as soon as a teacher can
be secured. This is a good school of a-
bout a dozen pupils, and will be con-
ducted in a tent located in a nice grove
near the home of one of the brethren.
The school has been held in this place
for the last two summers. It is a pleas-
ant and healthful location and will be
a good out-of-door job for some teacher
who has become tired of teaching in a
heated house through the winter. Ad-
dress, Miss Bertha Rathbun, Chetek,
Wis., or wire C. McReynolds, Grand
Rapids, Wis.