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

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Just Plain Honesty

Some people seem to harbor the mistaken idea that to be sly and shrewd is a sign of strength, talent, or genius. We believe it to be a sure indication of weakness. Douglas said of Lincoln: "He is the honestest man I have ever known." Every truly great man has been straightforward, open, and honest. Anyone who reads the Bible will see how truthful the men of God were. Remember in how outspoken and frank a manner John the Baptist, Paul and other servants of the Lord labored and spoke. We could make many applications of this principle of honesty to our own work. We wish to refer to two things.

When a minister among us accepts his credentials and receives his wages from month to month, these papers are granted, and the money is paid with the understanding that he preaches the doctrines which we as a denomination believe to be the truth of God.

Any man has a human right to change his views, to believe and to teach some new doctrines or some different doctrines from what he has held in the past; but no man can be honest and accept conference pay after he begins to preach new ideas and doctrines which the conference has not sanctioned. When a man ceases to believe or to teach the third angel's message as it is understood by Seventh-day Adventists he must, if he is honest, cease to receive wages from Seventh-day Adventists. It would not only be folly but sinful for us as a people to pay men to hinder the very work which we believe God has called us to do.

This same principle of honesty applies to our church officers. When a man accepts the responsibility of elder or deacon or Sabbath school superintendent, or some other office, he does it with the understanding that he will labor to build up the church and to assist the cause of God in our organized work. If a man does not believe in the spirit of prophecy or does not pay his tithe or does not accept our principles of organization he should refuse to receive an office. He does himself an injustice and he injures the work which he professes to serve by accepting such a position. Another point of great moment should be noted. No minister has a right to ordain a man as elder or deacon who does not believe our message, who is out of harmony with our organized work, who fails to support our conferences by his tithes and offerings, his influence, etc. The minister that lays hands on such a man shares in his guilt. Further, no conference committee ought to continue in its employ a man who teaches new and strange things, which tear down and destroy. We must guard with the most sacred care the holy message committed to us of God. In writing this I do not wish to state anything that is unreasonable, and I am sure that none of our loyal, God-fearing people will so

God's Way and Mine

I asked my Lord to lead me for a day,
I did not know or care what He might say;
So long as He would lead me, I'd agree
To follow paths I could or could not see,
Or try to carry loads I scarce could lift,
And move as He directed, slow or swift.
I would not murmur if the road was rough,
Nor ask for more when He had giv'n enough
To meet my simple needs, both few and small—
I'd be content and thankful in it all.
But when He bade me suffer and be still
I then rebelled against my Master's will,
And said I would not have Him for my guide,
Because His will run counter to my pride.
And yet I suffered, suffered once again;
I asked for joy, He gave me only pain.
I asked for rose-strewn pathways, sunny morns,
I chose to tread on petals, not on thorns;
But through the thorns He lead me up the hill.
I murmured at His "suffer and be still"—
I could not grasp His meaning; I was prone
To ask Him for His way but keep my own.
But one day, when my struggles had been sore,
I asked my Lord to lead me just once more.
This time I would not murmur 'gainst His will;
I'd go or stay, or "suffer and be still."
I would not have my own way—His was best;
I'd gladly do, endure His wise behest.
And then I understood why all my pain,
And thorns came to me once again.
It was withdrawing, by His gentle art,
The thorns which pride had thrust into my heart,
His oil and wine, poured on sin's open sore,
The pain was just to heal, and nothing more.
His thorns were lances to relieve disease.
His hilly pathway lead to plains of peace:
He meant my life for joy, for power and bliss—
Pain was remedial, work was happiness.
And so my Lord has lead me all these years;
Sometimes He leads through smiles, sometimes
thro'igh tears;
But each day shows me that His way is best,
For through its cloud or sunshine I am blest.

—F. Watson Hannan

"There will be no idler, no slothful one who neglects the work of the Lord, found inside the kingdom of heaven."

receive it. To us it is just a matter of following the principle of the good old-fashioned Bible honesty.

L. H. CHRISTIAN

Early Observations—No. 9

How I Was Led to See the Sabbath Truth

When I came home from the army in July 1865 I expected to spend several years in some good school and let Providence and environments direct as to my future work. But before selecting a school I thought it proper to attend our annual conference to be held at Cicero, Indiana. At that time I was a reader of the *Restitution*, published in Chicago and edited by Elder H. V. Reed. Our constituency promoting the paper, and the cause it advocated, were not a numerous people, nor were we very well unified, yet some would speak of themselves as those of "The One Faith." Indeed, we were not agreed among ourselves as to a name, and at this conference (I think it was), when one brother, speaking of our doctrine, named it "The One Faith," another brother ironically endorsed the name saying, "And Jacob owned a herd of cattle, all of the one color."

At that time Elder Moyer was conference evangelist for our people, and as I approached the camp ground I was introduced by a friend to a young lady who was deeply interested in a discussion, which she said had just closed a minute before our introduction. She was of a serious mind and wished to tell me how she was impressed with the discussion. So she said, "I have just been listening to a debate between my cousin Mary and our evangelist, Elder Moyer, on the Sabbath question, and I am deeply impressed with what I heard, for our preacher was confused and cousin easily defeated him in the controversy." Then she wished to know what I thought about the Sabbath question. This was the first time that I had met the lady, and our first topic of conversation related directly to the Sabbath question. I did not express a decided opinion upon the subject then. But I did ask my friend, who had introduced us, to tell me more about the lady who was so interested in the Sabbath question. The recommendation given was most encouraging and our ripened acquaintance verified the truthfulness of all that was said in her favor. A little more than two years after the date of our introduction she said to me one day, "I have learned through Mrs. Lyons that a Seventh-day Adventist minister has an appointment to preach at our meeting house next Sunday, and I have promised to go with her and hear him." She went according to promise, and when she returned home, she said, "I have heard the truth today." Then she told me that the minister was to preach again in four weeks from that time, and that she would be pleased to have us both attend the meeting. I promised, and we went. The sermon again related to the Sabbath question. It was an earnest presentation of the theme and rather convincing. After the services were concluded I noticed that the preacher had a pamphlet in his possession, and the title read, "Both Sides on the Sabbath and Law." As I reached forth my hand in friendly greeting, I said, "Brother Seaward, I see you have a book on the Sabbath question; would you be willing to let me read it?" He answered in the

affirmative, and my wife and I, assisted by that book and our Bibles, put in our spare time during the next two weeks earnestly studying the Sabbath question. The book had been written by Elder Uriah Smith, and it was an able review of I. M. Prebble's book in opposition to the Sabbath and Law. We were very thoroughly convinced upon the perpetuity of the Law and the binding obligation of the Sabbath when the two weeks were ended. And so we gave out word to our friends concerning our mental attitude in the matter and soon we were numbered with those who were obedient to the Sabbath commandment.

Forty-seven years ago that decision was made, and I have had all these years to rejoice over the good things wrapped up in that verdict.

And the sacred experiences, which have come to me through the bearing and proclamation of this truth to my fellowmen, have given a richness to life, greater by far than anything which the world has to bestow. I want to say that though the evidences were clear, when we sought and found the good old way, February, 1868, they are shining brighter now as we are getting nearer to the end.

WM. COVERT

A Forward Move in the Foreign Work in Chicago

Chicago is the second largest city of our nation, and has become the great center of traffic and business. It is also important from the standpoint of the immigration idea. According to late statistics it has just as large a foreign population in proportion as New York City. This makes it a great foreign mission field. We have here in Chicago more than 800,000 Germans, 300,000 Scandinavians, 600,000 Poles, 300,000 Bohemians, 120,000 Italians, and then thousands and thousands of Hungarians, Russians, Servians, Croatians, Lithuanians, French, and many others. Thus we have right here in the very center of our nation a great and unique foreign mission field.

A good work has been begun and is progressing favorably among the Germans and Scandinavians. It was way back in 1870 when Elder Matteson first begun labor among the Scandinavians of Chicago, and in 1871 the Scandinavians put up the first church building located on 1244 West Erie Street. In the years that have passed, the Scandinavian population has moved further to the north and west, and so the Scandinavians have found it necessary to move their center of work, first, to 1653 North Rockwell Street, but last year that meeting place was sold also, and they have now built a large and commodious house of worship on 2914 North Avenue, opposite Humboldt Park. We rejoice in this growth and advancement. This church takes in the Danes and Norwegians.

The Swedes are located on 213 West Oak Street where they have not only a good meeting hall, but connected with it a health restaurant and treatment-rooms, and the Lord is blessing the work. During the past year a number have been added to their membership.

The Germans entered the work here later, but they now have a commodious church building located on Rosco Street, near Western Avenue. There is also a small

German church on the South Side, and we rejoice in the progress of the work among the Germans.

In 1912 Brother Rosario Calderone came to Chicago to begin work among the Italians. He began bare-handed, was all alone, and no believers to begin with, but the Lord has been with him. The 20th of September 1913 a church of ten Italians was organized. The Italian church was last year taken in as a member of the conference at the Northern Illinois camp meeting. At that time they numbered fifteen. Three have been added during the latter part of the year, and four more have recently been baptized. Thus the work has made a good beginning among the Italians.

When the Scandinavians decided to sell the Erie Street church, as the locality had been filled up with Italians, Slovaks, Poles, and others, the conference decided to buy it for use among foreign nationalities, so this church is being occupied and used by the Italians. In the basement an Italian church school is conducted. At the present time the attendance is twenty-three, and there is an excellent interest. The first full year of its existence the church has filled its quota of twenty cents a week per member to the mission funds. They have also brought in a liberal tithe considering their conditions.

While we are glad for these beginnings among the Scandinavians, Germans, and Italians, here are all these other hundreds of thousands of foreigners, and thus far we can hardly speak of a beginning, though some canvassing has been done among the Hungarians, and we are also just making a start among the Bohemians. We need workers, and we have long been anxious to see a training mission started for the development of workers among these foreign nationalities, and we are glad to report that arrangements are now being made to open up such a mission about the first of February.

Brother and Sister E. W. Webster of the North Michigan Conference have accepted the call, and the North Michigan Conference has kindly given their consent to release them that they may fill this important call in this needy foreign field at home. We regard this as a very important forward movement in the work among the foreigners in this country. We do certainly ask the prayer of our people for God's blessing upon this undertaking.

To begin with there will be Italians, Hungarians, Bohemians, Roumanians, and Poles in our mission. Our plan will be to study the underlying principles of the message, then some regular class work, and also instruction in Bible work, holding Bible readings and cottage meetings. Then a part of every day will be spent in actual work in the circulation of literature, visiting families and interesting people.

We are glad to secure such experienced help as that of Brother and Sister Webster. Both have had a large experience, not only in this country, but also in foreign fields. We shall begin in a small way, but it is a work that is destined to grow in importance and extent. We shall want to rent suitable rooms for the mission work and the family.

Some time ago there were a number of persons in the Northern Illinois Conference that promised us

assistance in the way of bedding and other articles to help us start the mission home. Some have already sent us something, and others have asked me when we would be ready to open. I would say to such if they have something they wish to contribute, we shall be most thankful to receive it. It can be sent to our address 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Above all we desire your sympathy and your prayers that the special blessing of the Lord may attend this important movement, and be the means of gathering many souls from among these many foreign nationalities for the kingdom of God. Yours for the rapid finishing of the work.

O. A. OLSEN

Without Excuse

In carrying forward the work of God on the earth many and various agencies must necessarily be employed. I would not discount any one of these, for they each have their part and place; but I desire to speak particularly regarding one of the most effective agencies. "If there is one work of more importance than another it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the Scriptures."—*Volume 4, page 389*. "It is an eternal law of Jehovah that he who accepts the truth that the world needs is to make it his first work to proclaim this truth."—*Volume 7, page 13*. "We are held accountable by the Lord for making the most of our opportunities to enlighten those in need of present truth; and one of the principal agencies He has ordained for our use is the printed page."—*Volume 9, page 89*.

Never in all the history of the world were the opportunities to work for God more plentiful than now. Things of the most startling character are transpiring every day. People are eager to read; they want to know what these things mean. God has given to us the light. He bids us go forth into the whitened harvest field and gather precious sheaves for the heavenly garner. In His providence God has gone before us. He has led in the establishment of our great publishing houses. Today they are meeting every demand of the field. I appeal to our dear people everywhere to wake up and join in scattering the truth-laden printed page, like the leaves of autumn.

Have you a set of the Berean Library? You will surely want this to lend to your neighbors. Thousands have this most excellent set. If you have not as yet procured one, let me urge upon you the necessity of doing so now. You can use these to lend to those who have been receiving the *Signs Weekly*.

The latest addition to our great soul-winning campaign equipment is the Present Truth Series. This most excellent four-page document is to be issued monthly as an extra to the *Review, Signs, and Watchman*. We cannot speak too highly of it, and it surely will meet a long-felt want. Here is an opportunity for every believer in this great message to give the light of truth to both friends and neighbors. Just think of it! 15 copies for 10 cents; 25 for 15 cents; 50 for 30 cents; 100 for 50 cents; and 1,000 for \$4. It will sell readily. People will read it every line. Surely we have reached the time,

in this great reformatory movement, with everything to hand, when those who refuse to act will be without excuse. Let every soul take hold as never before, and use this wonderful agency that God in His providence has provided, that the light of present truth might come to those still in the darkness.

Don't wait for openings. Step in and make them. Opportunities are with us every day; embrace them and God will abundantly bless every effort put forth in His name.

F. W. PAAP

The Lord's Anointed

"Touch not Mine anointed, and do My prophets no harm." Ps. 105:15. It is true that Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed One. When He entered upon His work He said: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anointed Me to preach the gospel." His representatives, the ministers whom He calls to the sacred work of preaching the gospel, are also anointed with the Holy Spirit, and no man can preach the gospel unless he is thus anointed. This sacred work is not like other professions, that everyone and anyone can choose to take up or lay down at will. No, the Lord calls to this work those whom He can entrust with the work, and whom He can entrust with His Spirit, and the man so called will feel, "Woe is me if I preach not the gospel." It means infinitely more to do this work than simply putting a few scriptures together and talking a little about them. The true minister of the Lord, the representative of Christ Himself, must "make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery"; or in other words must bring men and women to Christ. His work is not done when he has simply given the people the theory of the truth. His own soul must be in touch with the divine power, and he must know how to point men to the "Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world."

The faithful servant of the Lord is very precious to Him, and He has assured him, "that he that receiveth you receiveth Me," and that as the people treat the message brought to them through His representative, they are treating Him.

In view of these things, how carefully should every one who is called to this sacred, responsible work study to show himself approved, not of men, but of God, and not to lower in the least the dignity of this sacred work, or take such a course that the people will have occasion to feel that the work of the ministry is not an exalted one, and that they can freely criticise him, and lightly set aside the message he bears to them.

On the other hand, how guarded we should all be in our treatment of God's messengers, even though they make mistakes. David would not lift his hand against the Lord's anointed even after he had so far departed from God that, filled with envy, he was seeking to take his life.

A great sin is upon us as a people. We have departed a long way from the teaching of God's word in regard to these things. Jude says of the conditions marking the last days, that some would not be afraid to speak evil of dignities. Jude 8. See also 2 Pet. 2:10; Ex. 22:28; Eccl. 10:20; Acts 23:5.

Especially should we be careful not to lightly speak of those at the head of the work, who carry heavy burdens, for God will not bless those who do so, and will withdraw His Spirit from them. We have the example in the terrible judgment that came upon Miriam and Aaron as recorded in Num. 12:1-16.

God has not changed, and the sin of speaking against His servants is just as offensive now as in the days of Miriam and Aaron. I am sure that a mighty change needs to come over many of us in this matter. Let us not follow our own impulses, and bring the frown of God upon His people by our unguarded, unchristian, and cruel criticisms, even though everything is not managed as we think it ought to be, or even if we think that grave mistakes are being made in the management of the work. Most of us would not do as well if we had to plan the work, though we may think we could do much better. Some people will even criticise the Lord, and are sure that if they had the matter of regulating things they could greatly improve His work in many respects.

"Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought His judgments; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger." Zeph. 2:3.

Of all the graces needed at this time, there is none more needed than meekness.

J. C. HARRIS

Tithing

The system of tithing was not designed by God for the purpose of enriching Himself at our expense. Rather it was ordained to be a great blessing to us.

We read in Volume 6, page 384, that the giving of one tenth of our increase was "a distinct arrangement made by Jesus Christ Himself." We also read in the spirit of prophecy that this system was instituted after the fall, in the days of Adam, and was faithfully adhered to by the patriarchs before the days of Moses. In fact, we read in Volume 3, page 404, these words, "The special system of tithing was founded upon a principle which is as enduring as the law of God." Thus the plan is binding upon every Christian.

The Testimonies reveal that "if all who profess the truth will come up to the claims of God in giving the tenth which God claims as His, the *treasury will be abundantly supplied with means* to carry forward the the great work for salvation of man."—Vol. 3, page 325.

Whether we have a part in the finishing of this message which will close in the near future, depends upon how we relate ourselves in the matter of tithes and offerings. Our spirit of sacrifice should increase, as the demands of the message indicate its extension to the utmost parts of the earth.

We read this important counsel in "Early Writings," page 266: "Satan has instructed his angels to lay snares for God's commandment keeping people." He says, 'Present the world before them in the most attractive light, that they may love and idolize it. We must keep in our ranks all the means of which we can gain control. The more the followers of Christ devote to His service, the more will they injure our kingdom by getting our subjects. . . . When any one shall

attempt to give, put within him a grudging disposition, that it may be sparingly.”

We are thankful that God has forewarned us, and we are instructed on page 268 that “God requires a constant doing on the part of His people; and when they become weary of well-doing, He becomes weary of them. I saw that He is greatly displeased with the least manifestation of selfishness on the part of His professed people, for whom Jesus spared not His own life. Every selfish, covetous person *will fall out by the way.*”

S. E. KELLMAN

Christian (?) Buzzards

The turkey is a clean fowl. It subsists upon grain and vegetable foods, and its flesh is wholesome. Not so with the turkey-buzzard. Although resembling the turkey, and wearing like plumage, it is constantly in search of carrion upon which it feeds. If cornered or caught it vomits carrion upon its captor.

There are Christian-buzzards in almost every church and community. They are on the lookout for the faults and failings of others of which they talk, and upon which they feed as upon carrion.

They do not confess themselves at fault, but express the fear that the spirituality and efficiency of the church is greatly impaired by the misconduct of others, and are urgent for the enforcement of discipline against them.

How different the behavior of the true Christian. He looks to Jesus for perfection and a holy example (See Heb. 12:2,3); and does not think, or speak evil of his brethren. See 1 Cor. 13:4-7; Psa. 15; Phil. 4:8; James 4:11. All the men of God who ever lived had the passions and weaknesses of human nature; but God loved them and forgave their faults, notwithstanding. See James 5:17; Psa. 38; and 51.

There are, likewise, good traits of character in every person. Why not tactfully speak of it, or commend them for it?

Figuratively speaking, the Christian-buzzard prefers vinegar to honey; the rotten spots and core of the apple to the delicious pulp; and the rasping of a file to the sweet tones of the pianoforte. “From such turn away.”

A. SMITH

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Progress in North Michigan

It is always a matter of encouragement to our people to know that progress is being made in any line of the work. The year 1914 was one of advancement. A number of people have accepted the truth during the year and eighty-one were baptized. The interest among the people to hear the message continues good, and from different parts of the field workers are reporting new ones being brought to the Master. This to my mind is the most important feature of our work.

Another very encouraging feature is that of the mission offerings. We have never been able to make

any spectacular display in this, but have been steadily moving forward a little each year. This year we did not reach the goal set by the North American Division, but if we had received \$72 more our average would have been fifteen cents per week per member for missions. This is the largest offering we ever made in any one year. The total amount to missions was a little over \$6,000.

The matter of giving to missions is largely one of understanding the needs of the cause. When our people once realize what is needed they will rally to the support.

At the beginning of this year some changes were made in the personnel of the workers: Elder E. F. Peterson, who began his work in the ministry in this conference and has spent all his time with us, has gone to Northern Illinois. He will be missed very much by our people as he has been with us a long time and is known by many of the people in the conference. In his place we have secured the services of Elder F. J. Harris, who at one time labored in the Upper Peninsula. Some in the Southern Peninsula have met him. We hope that his coming here will be the means of helping our conference in many ways. Elder E. W. Webster and wife, who have been with us a little over a year and a half, have been called to a very important position of responsibility in Chicago. A training school for foreign workers has been established and they have been selected to take charge of it. Their responsibility will be great, but we are sure God will lead. A worker to take their place has not been selected yet. The needs of the foreign fields have appealed to us very strongly. We have a large number of Swedish people in the Upper Peninsula and possibly we may secure a man to start work among them. I am sure that all our people will be glad to know that we are beginning work in the foreign fields in our own conference as well as sending means abroad. The work is onward and the cause of God is prospering.

In the matter of tithes there was not the gain made we had hoped for, but we believe that it will increase above the preceding years.

J. J. IRWIN

Sault Ste. Marie

The Lord has been gracious to His people in this place the past year. A live missionary spirit has taken hold of the members, and each one is active in some line of missionary work. Some have accepted the truth through their consecrated efforts.

There has been a real revival spirit, especially among the young people, for the past two or three months, and the older ones have received the showers of grace too.

While the membership of the young people's society is not large, yet we have learned that it pays to show an interest in the young people. Many of the older members attend the young people's meetings and thus show that they have an active interest in them.

During the week of prayer some of the youth offered their first public prayer.

Recently through the courtesy of the Baptist congregation we were able to secure the use of their baptistry and five persons were baptized into the

faith of the message. Four of these were young people. Other persons will be ready for this sacred ordinance later on.

We were glad to see these fruits of our labors before leaving for our new field of labor in Chicago. We leave North Michigan with many pleasant memories, and take up our work in our new field praying that we may be used by God to save many from sin's seductive snares.

E. F. AND MRS. PETERSON

Cadillac

January 9, was a day of rejoicing for the believers at Cadillac. We had the privilege of joining with some of the Colfax company in the first quarterly meeting that has been held at Cadillac in the memory of those present. Brother Cowles, elder of the Colfax church, took charge of the service. After the celebration of the ordinances all the older people and several of the children joined in a stirring testimony meeting. In closing we sang "In Sweet Communion," having been encouraged and strengthened by the presence of the Holy Spirit.

IDA F. OLSEN

December

	Tithe	2%	Mis.		Tithe	2%	Mis.
Alpena.....	\$ 23 60	\$1 50	\$37 81	Mesick.....	46 17	3 80	274 80
Alden.....	43 41	2 57	40 96	Marion.....	25 77	4 35	5 05
Brinton.....	2 54		6 70	Menominee.....	35 23	1 23	44 41
Cleon.....	14 38	50	9 45	Mt. Pleasant.....	36 00	2 61	184 76
Cedar Lake.....	30 61			Omer.....	81 38	6 43	41 21
Colfax.....	32 57	3 40	44 15	Onaway.....	29 82	2 51	27 68
Clare.....	59 62	10	45 57	Petoskey.....	127 60	10 67	270 06
Cadillac.....	13 56	1 36	21 54	Reed City.....			
Cooks.....			7 50	Riverside.....	69 79	5 72	47 03
Conference.....	39 47	5 26	21 41	Soo.....	11 29	1 69	36 53
Dighton.....	22 17	1 83	4 97	Stephenson.....	3 00		7 00
Eastport.....	9 79	29	15 03	Scottville.....	2 41	24	6 24
Estey.....	88 65		46 77	Traverse City.....	130 38	4 09	127 51
Frankfort.....	62 85	4 09	41 60	Whittemore.....			
Gaylord.....	50 37	4 36	46 14	Wildwood.....	13 09	25	6 91
Grant.....	61 30	8 80	30 60	Wilson.....	67 80	2 61	51 57
Hancock.....	37 42	3 05	98 23	Miscellaneous.....	96 60	6 51	91 12
Horr.....	7 20	80	31 95	Zeba.....	6 70	79	5 54
Iron River.....	16 20	1 82	52 85	Escañaba.....	20 00		30 00
Leetsville.....	1 62						

Miscellaneous	\$ 50
Missions Apportionment for 1914	\$8153.60
Amount raised to date	6042.57
Amount still to be raised	\$2111.13

S. E. KELLMAN, Treasurer

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Battle Creek Church

While so many are rejoicing in the jubilee song of a paid up mission field quota, the Battle Creek church would join the song. For the first time in its history this church has more than paid its share, having sent in \$120 above the allotted amount. And we are glad that we were able to close our books up just on time without trespassing upon 1915. Many pledges did not come in until the new year began and so we shall have this much to help us along on the current year.

Financially as well as spiritually the Lord has blessed the Battle Creek church during 1914 and we praise His name for it all. Besides increasing the

offerings to missions above that of the previous year by \$2,283.73 there was also an increase of tithe of \$3,308.42 above the previous year. The total tithe paid in for the year being \$13,665.92. For all purposes combined the church has raised the sum of \$28,084.83, or a per capita for the resident membership of about \$56. So we thank the Lord for His goodness to us and for the many evidences of His favor which are ours to enjoy.

We are glad to note the constantly increasing attendance at the services. Not only is this decidedly noticeable at the Sabbath meetings but on Sunday evening there is a steady attendance of many not affiliated with us and we are pleased to report that some of these are taking their stand with us as a people. At the last Sunday evening meeting which was a special service of song there were fully one thousand in attendance.

The young people's work is gaining steadily under the proficient leadership of Professor Straw. Especially was this seen in the preliminary work done prior to the week of special services which preceded the week of prayer. This work being followed by the help rendered by Profs. M. E. Kern and C. A. Russell has given us a strong start toward the getting hold of many who had become careless and indifferent.

Many improvements have been affected during the past year which help to make our work more effective. The installation of electricity has been a great help to us.

There is a spirit of unity and progress animating our people so that even in this old center there is being done a creditable amount of missionary work. Pray for us.

W. A. WESTWORTH

Otsego

Since my last report I have been with the Otsego church. I found the members cordial, hospitable, and ready to enter into plans for the furtherance of the work. I wish to thank those who helped me in getting from place to place as I visited different homes. I found most of the members living near enough to attend church. The membership is one hundred eight. The interest manifested, from a financial standpoint, mostly for periodicals, books, tracts, and magazines amounted to \$109.77. Much more will come later when the mills start.

I am now at the elders and workers' meeting, which has started in well, with a good attendance. We are receiving, and hope to receive much more, good instruction and rich blessings from the great storehouse above.

E. I. BEEBE

Canvassing Notes

An encouraging report comes from Brother C. E. Weeks. He worked thirty-two hours in Benton Harbor with sales amounting to \$53.50. He writes, "While this is not large, I do not think I ever had more good experiences in the same number of hours. The Lord abundantly blessed and I found many who are looking for light."

Brother O. A. Palmiter writes, "I am working Dowagiac. One lady said she would like the book very much, but her husband was opposed to religion

and would not let her have the money to buy it, but their boy said, 'Mother if you want the book I will pay for it for you,' so I secured the order. At a Spiritualist home the man said they did not want any Bible book but that I might talk with his wife if I wanted to. It was not long before she was in tears and ordered the book. Next was a Catholic home. They asked many questions and I sold them a book. The Lord is working for the canvassers that go forth in His strength."

Of his last week's work Brother E. M. Phillips says, "It seemed that angels were guiding my way. On Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning I took orders from nearly every family I visited."

Brother G. E. Boody writes, "The dear Lord has been with me and blessed me wonderfully this week. Without Him we can do nothing." Brother J. P. Garber writes, "The last order Thursday was where I stayed over night. They are getting the truth as Brother Boothy sold them a 'Great Controversy' and 'Best Stories' and now they will have 'Bible Readings' and they want it as soon as they can get it."

"Praise the Lord, He is closing His work and I at last have found a part in it," writes Brother A. F. Lemon. "God has been very good to me since He called me to His service. I have rebelled and asked to be excused, but he has patiently brought me step by step to a willing service. C. M. Joslin."

Brother Dick Hamstra has commenced work in Ottawa County and is of good courage in the Lord. Brother and Sister C. C. Glidden expect to begin work in Grand Rapids in a few days. Let us pray for all the workers.

A. L. VAN FOSSEN

News Notes

About one hundred elders and Sabbath school superintendents were in attendance at the workers' meeting in Grand Rapids. The Lord came very near in the meetings and plans were laid for an aggressive campaign for souls and mission funds with which to finish the work. It was voted to publish the minutes in the LAKE UNION HERALD.

The evening services in connection with the workers' meeting were well attended and as a result several have decided to obey the truth. Elder W. A. Westworth spoke Monday evening on the "Meaning of These Things." Prof. J. G. Lamson's subject Tuesday evening was "The War and Its Meaning." Prof. O. J. Graf spoke Wednesday evening on "Why I Believe the Bible."

A study of the reports for 1914 gives us the following encouraging information. In West Michigan 222 persons were baptized, a good increase over the record for any previous year in West Michigan Conference. Adding to this the 197 in East Michigan and 80 in North Michigan makes 499 in all in old Michigan during 1914. Our goal for 1915 is 300 souls.

Those who know of definite interests in certain communities that call for labor are requested to report the same to the conference office if they have not already done so for the help of the committee in making up tent companies and distributing conference laborers.

The canvassers' summary furnished by J. B. Blosser, the Lake Union agent, shows progress in the book

work in West Michigan. Here is the comparison: 1912 sales, \$3,567.85; 1913 sales, \$4,256.88; 1914 sales, \$5,996.20. This last is West Michigan's best record for any single year of its history.

In connection with the above, the report of A. L. Van Fossen shows that 37 agents have done something in the book work during the year. They have put in 9,465 hours and nearly all have averaged from 50 cents to \$1.45 in sales for every hour worked. In 1913 6,368 hours were put in. The increase in orders, \$2,120.50, in 1914 over 1913 is almost in the same proportion to the increase in hours put in. This shows that all we need in West Michigan to further advance the work is more workers and more hours of labor.

The Young People's Missionary Volunteer work made splendid advancement during 1914 and the number of organized young people is nearly doubled. The mission goal for 1915 is \$2.50 for each Volunteer enrolled. Church treasurers can greatly help this work by seeing that all the money raised by the children and young people, other than the Sabbath school offering is labeled for Y. P. M. V. goal when forwarded to the conference office.

"The World's Crisis in the Light of Prophecy" is ready and we have a good supply on hand. Single copy, post paid 20 cents. In larger quantities the regular 40 per cent discount will be given. Orders will be taken care of promptly. We have about 250 January Signs Magazine. In order to clear the way for the February number we will mail any quantity at 4 cents each while they last.

"Faith is not believing that God can, but that He will."

Missions West Michigan Churches First Eleven Months of 1914

Church	Amount for year	Paid to Dec. 1	Balance to complete	Overpaid	Total pd in 1913
Albion	\$ 114 40	\$ 46 26	\$ 68 14	\$	\$ 55 17
†Allegan	530 40	374 11	156 29	.....	254 10
†Allendale	208 00	103 63	104 37	.....	64 86
Bangor	156 00	3 76	152 24	.....	20 46
*†Battle Creek	5096 00	5176 64	.....	82 64	3020 68
†Bauer	270 40	255 18	15 22	.....	214 01
Bedford	395 20	206 20	189 00	.....	113 04
*†Belding	20 80	92 95	.....	72 15	48 45
†Benton Harbor	291 20	244 02	47 18	.....	149 72
†Berrin Springs	1955 20	2017 74	.....	62 54	1464 09
Bloomington	145 60	20 00	125 60	.....	85
Brookfield	132 20	50 19	85 01	.....	55 89
Buchanan	31 20	1 64	29 56	.....	8 52
Burlington	72 80	.....	72 80	.....	9 39
Bushnell	166 40	234 81	.....	68 41	126 89
Byron Center	104 00	31 46	72 54	.....	38 03
Carlton Center	426 40	324 64	101 76	.....	309 36
*†Carson City	197 60	428 48	.....	244 88	272 57
Cedar Lake	1102 40	578 54	523 86	.....	437 21
*†Cedar Springs	52 00	70 35	.....	18 35	48 87
Charlotte	520 00	525 00	.....	5 00	294 49
Cliff rd Lake	197 60	80 56	117 04	.....	66 42
Coldwater	280 80	70 97	209 86	.....	84 46
Covert	478 40	46 26	432 14	.....	45 29
Decatur	52 00	.....	52 00	.....	7 69
†Denver	270 40	85 08	185 32	.....	35 79
*†Dimondale	165 40	227 89	.....	61 49	158 02
*†Douglas	145 60	149 65	.....	4 05	145 40
*†Eaton Rapids	187 20	218 66	.....	31 46	32 20
Edmore	332 80	95 93	236 87	.....	143 63
*†Fremont	156 00	249 35	.....	93 35	115 48
†Frost	291 20	149 90	141 30	.....	100 22
*†Glenwood	280 80	300 59	.....	19 79	217 43
*†Gowen	20 80	23 03	.....	2 23	21 27
Grand Haven	62 40	39 28	24 12	.....	45 72
†Grand Ledge	312 00	207 85	104 15	.....	78 04
*†Grand Rapids	2007 20	2046 44	.....	39 24	749 55
*†Grandville	72 80	153 66	.....	80 86	111 46
*†Greenville	208 00	265 86	.....	57 86	246 67
*†Hastings	124 80	237 46	.....	112 66	179 63
†Holland	218 40	212 02	6 38	.....	121 16

†Holton	156 00	130 34	25 66	.....	235 59
*†Homer	124 80	140 76	.....	15 96	114 40
*Kalamazoo	621 00	647 78	.....	23 78	658 53
*†Kent City	156 00	210 08	.....	54 08	70 44
Kinderhook	31 20	28 44	2 76	.....	41 79
†Lakeview	322 40	174 16	175 24	.....	107 77
†Lyons	95 60	13 42	80 18	.....	13 38
*†Maple Grove	72 80	205 50	.....	132 70	52 20
Mecosta	156 00	50 18	105 82	.....	111 27
†Mendon	260 00	220 91	39 09	.....	132 21
Monterey	488 80	151 73	377 07	.....	260 61
*†Muskegon	301 60	341 81	.....	40 21	254 48
Otsego	1144 00	651 84	492 17	.....	737 25
*†Palo	31 20	34 39	.....	3 19	27 26
†Paw Paw	312 00	232 19	78 81	.....	219 35
Portland	104 00	77 17	26 83	.....	50 87
†Pottersville	249 60	226 07	23 53	.....	115 92
*Quincy	176 80	289 51	.....	112 71	432 79
Rothbury	187 20	81 89	105 31	.....	60 81
Sand Lake	447 20	248 24	198 96	.....	244 86
†Shelby	644 80	237 06	407 71	.....	151 09
*†Sturgis	31 20	42 43	.....	11 23	26 64
†Three Rivers	156 00	58 39	97 61	.....	.....
*†Trufant	124 80	183 18	.....	58 38	157 56
Union City	187 20	84 97	102 00	.....	155 01
Urbandale	405 60	123 45	2 2 15	.....	148 36
†West Leroy	197 60	113 35	84 25	.....	107 20
Wright	540 80	533 74	7 06	.....	545 40
Individuals .....	.....	722 28	.....	722 28	.....
W. Mich. Conf.	25584 00	21889 29	3694 71	.....	15752 00

*Those who have now paid more than was apportioned for 1914.

†Those who have now paid more than they did during the year 1913.

The conference did better than 1913 by \$6,137.29 and yet failed to reach the goal by \$3,695.71.

Let us not waste any time lamenting our failures but rather study the figures and try not to repeat past failures. There is much to encourage us to begin at once and reach the goal for 1915.

The increase in tithe was almost in proportion to the increase in mission funds. Increase of tithe over 1913 \$5,879.39.
C. F. McVAGH

December

	Tithe	2%	Miss.		Tithe	2%	Miss.
Albion	\$ 40 75	\$ 6 32	\$18 77	Grand Rapids	302 65	12 97	\$69 81
Allegan	86 49	6 48	72 93	Grandville	20 91	4 02	32 51
Allendale	46 23	3 40	31 96	Greenville	66 67	3 46	38 61
Bangor	64 57	.....	3 30	Hastings	20 13	40	49 84
Battle Creek	1300 84	19 33	1653 87	Holland	64 75	5 02	95 46
Bauer	45 60	4 08	77 18	Holton	10 57	1 36	26 52
Bedford	164 15	12 91	70 33	Homer	15 15	1 56	18 06
Belding	10 95	.....	7 50	Kalamazoo	109 30	3 32	172 92
Benton Harbor	34 10	2 03	64 05	Kent City	108 39	3 60	94 67
Berrien Springs	354 90	26 03	367 38	Kinderhook	27 00	.....	10 73
Bloomington	41 02	.....	20 00	Lakeview	114 08	.....	55 17
Brookfield	17 64	.....	22 36	Lowell .....	.....	.....	.....
Buchanan .....	.....	.....	.....	Lyons	7 10	.....	4 70
Burlington .....	.....	.....	.....	Maple Grove	49 26	5 68	27 68
Bushnell	132 94	95	144 70	Mecosta	11 84	.....	13 70
Byron Center	5 00	.....	4 78	Mendon	28 90	06	99 66
Carlton Center	109 86	5 40	69 99	Monterey	49 91	2 40	33 96
Carson City	86 08	6 83	88 07	Muskegon	49 89	2 14	9 90
Cedar Lake	112 96	4 80	159 72	Otsego	143 33	10 04	125 56
Cedar Springs	12 78	.....	8 35	Palo	6 00	1 50	4 00
Charlotte	197 47	13 63	155 99	Paw Paw	89 46	10 55	61 36
Clifford Lake	20 04	05	15 72	Portland	44 65	1 33	22 85
Coldwater	18 26	2 00	10 76	Pottersville	45 90	6 11	54 07
Covert	24 21	.....	9 80	Quincy	74 69	8 33	12 36
Decatur	2 00	.....	.....	Rothbury	38 85	.....	25 52
Denver	18 28	2 80	10 36	Sand Lake	105 53	2 02	51 87
Dimondale	21 55	4 14	18 79	Shelby	27 39	1 38	52 14
Douglas	21 00	.....	52 77	Sturgis	30 79	.....	11 10
Eaton Rapids	38 38	75	152 65	Three Rivers	7 35	.....	7 93
Edmore	101 82	6 54	6 83	Trufant	4 00	.....	33 72
Fremont	37 96	3 10	30 85	Urbandale	21 50	.....	8 27
Frost	38 63	1 40	23 91	Union City	15 01	.....	11 69
Glenwood	84 30	1 95	57 10	West Leroy	41 26	.....	80 08
Gowen	4 21	80	1 30	Wright	126 63	10 37	195 64
Grand Haven	5 54	.....	20 48	Individuals	77 46	2 97	100 96
Grand Ledge	95 16	13 18	50 38	Totals	\$5352 10	249 49	5756 67

"It is the influence of your acts, more than your words, that moulds and shapes others."

Wisconsin Conference

Office Address, Grand Rapids, Wis.
President, P. A. Hanson

Bethel Academy Wants Names

In order that every young person in the Wisconsin Conference may receive a copy of our new calendar when it is issued, Bethel Academy wants the names of all the young people in the state who would appreciate one enough to read it. We want to place the calendar wherever it will be of use. Every young person among us ought to read it. Though you may not be planning to attend school get one for your own information and for the help of others. We hope there will be a calendar in every home.

Join a campaign for "Bigger Better Bethel." You can help the academy by sending to the principal, Mr. H. T. Elliott, names and addresses of young people of your acquaintance. If you are a young person write a letter or a postal card for the calendar.

H. T. ELLIOTT

Indiana Conference

Office Address, 521 E. 23d St., Indianapolis.
President, E. A. Bristol

A Request for Prayer

Mrs. R. J. Carson of Indiana, who is visiting her daughter in Chicago, has been thrown from a street car and seriously injured. She requests the prayers of God's people for her speedy recovery.

News Notes

Elder S. E. Wight, president of the Southern Union Conference, was a welcome visitor at the conference office Sunday, January 17.

An academy board meeting was held at Beechwood last Sunday. The conference committee and Prof. C. A. Russell were present.

Elder J. H. N. Tindall has located in Indianapolis preparatory to taking up work in this place.

Nearly all the office force has been on the sick list the past week.

A statement regarding our mission funds and our work for 1914 will appear in the next issue of the HERALD.

Sisters Sanders and Rasmusson met with the La Fayette and Wabash Valley Sanitarium churches the 16th in the interests of the Sabbath school and Missionary Volunteer work.

Miss Myrtle Blaine has been obliged to drop her work at Greentown on account of illness.

At the close of the institute the canvassers all went to their fields of labor, and from their reports the Lord is blessing them in securing orders.

Orders are being received for the new book, "The World's Crisis." Price 25 cents. Have you seen one? Order at once.

Elder E. R. Lauda and Brother Frank Dudley have begun a series of meetings at Connersville.

Brother G. W. Rader is continuing his work in Jasonville and vicinity.

Two new Sabbath keepers are reported at Maxwell where Brother Kelley is laboring. The Sabbath school there now numbers about eighteen. Brother Kelley is also looking after the interest at Greenfield.

Funeral services for Sister McFerren of Logansport were conducted by Elder W. A. Young at Fort Wayne, January 10.

Brother C. E. Allen has been holding meetings at Sullivan and reports three additions to the Salem church, also several new Sabbath keepers.

Brethren F. M. Gibson and Walter Bergherm of Terre Haute have gone to Miami, Fla., to spend the winter.

Three meetings a week are being held at Terre Haute and Sunday evening services are well attended.

The Indianapolis Twenty-third Street Sabbath school has set the goal for missions for 1915 at \$1,000.

Elder E. A. Btistol conducted services at the Twenty-third Street church Sabbath, the 16th. Elder C. N. Sanders, the 23d.

Southern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 304 W. Allen St., Springfield, Ill.
President, A. J. Clark

Committee Action

The conference committee voted—That Brother Smith continue work in the conference until the opening of the school year next fall.

That we purchase a tent 44x65 to be delivered at the time and place the president may designate.

That we purchase five new family tents similar to those purchased last year.

That J. O. Ferris go to Carbondale to follow up the interest there.

That we allow tent rent at camp meeting to those who pay the two-per-cent.

That we send the last number of *Liberty Magazine* to the judges in this conference.

That we ask Rika Wohlers to prepare for Bible work under Elder Clark's direction.

That the conference president correspond with Sister Minnie Hooker in reference to securing her for the Bible work in this conference.

That Brother Fishell secure the services of Brother Sterns for ten days after the institute to assist him.

A. J. CLARK

Missionary Volunteers

No doubt you wondered if we raised the \$350 we were asked to give in 1914 for the support of native workers in Central America. We nearly reached our goal, but not quite. When the conference treasurer told me we lacked only \$30.57, I felt as one who reaches the depot just in time to see the train leave—that it will never happen again. This year we are each asked to give \$2.50 toward the city evangelical work in the Indian Union Mission, and shall we not plan immediately to do this? I will send you pledge cards soon, as I feel that these are a help to us in doing our part, and then let us set out to accomplish this part of our goal early in the year, for later on we have the annual offering, the

thirteenth Sabbath offering, etc. I believe that each of us can easily get our \$2.50 in before camp meeting time if we go at it with determination. I know you share in the disappointment of not reaching our goal in 1914 and let us learn a lesson of profit from our disappointment and get at this work early, so that when the train whistles in December we can say we are on time.

I think we have a splendid goal for 1915. I have spoken in letters in regard to the Morning Watch, the Bible Year Course, and striving to win at least one soul, but I desire to urge you to be faithful in the Standard of Attainment study. In 2 Sam. 18, we have an example of one who ran without a message. Ahimaaz volunteered his services and very zealously pursued the work. It is said that he had good tidings for the king, but when it came time to deliver the message he could only say, "I saw a great tumult, but I knew not what it was." As a result, the king said to him, "Turn aside and stand here." And "He turned aside and stood still."

Cushi then came to the king to deliver the same message. Notice how thoughtful, considerate, and tactful he was. When the king asked, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" He answered, "The enemies of my lord the king and all that rise against thee to do thee hurt, be as that young man is."

Here are two characters, as far as we know, both good men. They both had zeal and ambition to do service for their master. They both had a message, yet, one was a failure and the other a success. What made the difference? One had his tidings ready, the other did not. We are living too near our Saviour's return to make a shipwreck of our work by not having our tidings ready (or, as the margin says, convenient.) If we study for the Standard of Attainment, it will help us to have our tidings ready. Read the 18th chapter of 2 Samuel, ponder the lesson it contains, and then diligently pursue the Standard of Attainment study.

MRS. A. J. CLARK

Pana

At the close of 1914, one lady had been keeping the Sabbath several months but had not fully taken her stand with us. On the 26th, which was the last Sabbath in the year, we began to pray that she would unite with us, that another soul might be enrolled as a commandment-keeper when New Year's morning dawned. Sabbath was a very cold day, and as she lived some distance from the church did not attend the services. At our quarterly meeting the next day, we prayed earnestly for her, and she gave her heart to the Lord and was enrolled as one of our members. We ask your prayers.

C. J. SMITH

Good Meetings

During the week of prayer it was my privilege to visit the isolated members at Woodburn, Carlinville, Centralia, and Carbondale. I spent two days at each place. The Lord came very near to us and we enjoyed a season of refreshing from His presence. Each one seemed to realize that we are witnessing the very closing scenes of this earth's history.

HUGH STEARNS

Kingman Missionary Society

Our church consists of twenty-two members with an average attendance of sixteen members. Ten children are attending the church school. All are active members of either the Junior or church missionary society. Our church missionary society has been organized nine weeks. In that time we have ordered over 1,200 War Extras, 265 of the Harvest Ingathering Review and 400 tracts. Most of these have been used, and the church is planning a campaign of the township. We hope to leave some of our literature in every home.

It is a pleasure to work for others, and we are thankful for what we have been able to do.

NETTIE C. WOOD

Notice

Any one having an October Signs Magazine to spare may please mail same to C. J. Smith, 801 E. First St., Pana, Illinois.

F. H. JOHNSON

December

	Tithe	2%	Miss.		Tithe	2%	Miss
Bloomington	\$ 34 12	2 95	37 7.	East Alton	12 89	2 74	14 02
Bluford	17 76	2 04	21 87	Mattoon	2 20		17 16
Brownstown	33 00		18 35	Noble	13 40	27	19 98
Cartersville	82 75	6 31	105 52	Oakland			1 00
Charleston	2 50		8 96	Pontoosuc	88 66		58 42
Dallas City				Peoria	33 46	2 50	27 58
Danville	33 09	3 42	31 15	Pana	19 80	99	56 44
Du Quoin	102 12	14 52	59 64	1st Springfield	118 37	9 78	93 57
Decatur	91 02	3 66	123 65	2d Springfield	11 81		20 27
Farmington	14 05	2 76	11 90	Stewardson	46 60	37	12 60
Foosland	44 00	8 77	28 31	St. Elmo	2 00		7 00
Herrin	38 68	2 87	16 56	Twin City	123 72	10 00	121 31
Kingman	65 77	2 84	31 65	Shelbyville	41 98		12 55
Lovington	10 16	1 35	15 22	Conference	266 46	19 02	337 64
Martinsville	23 50	50	19 03	Miscellaneous			
Maevstown			1 55	Total	\$1373 87	97 68	1330 60

Northern Illinois Conference

Office Address, 3645 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Ill.
President, G. E. Langdon

Items

Elder L. A. Hansen, assistant secretary of the Medical Department of North America, preached in the North Shore Chicago church in the forenoon and in the Central Chicago church in the afternoon last Sabbath. The Lord was with him and two yielded their hearts to the Lord.

Sabbath, January 16, there were thirty-six people baptized and united with five Chicago churches, and four at Joliet.

The brethren in the conference are of excellent spirits in regard to reaching the goal another year on foreign mission offerings, we find from the letters that have come in to the office. Since we have found that we can do it I believe it will be easier to reach the goal again this year. We have received word that several hundred dollars of the surplus will be returned to our conference to apply on Fox River Academy. This will be a great encouragement to all.

Our brethren will be interested to learn that the working men's home, 1341 South State St., Chicago, operated by Andrew and Arthur Paulson and their sister Mrs. Beck, has opened a mission in connection

with their lodgings. Meetings are held every night in the week except Saturday, and Bible studies are conducted at 5 o'clock in the afternoon each day. Brother E. O. Parker is superintendent of the mission work. Several people have given their hearts to the Lord and are attending our Sabbath services in some of the various churches. We look for a good work to be done. The working men's home is furnished with two hundred beds, which range in price from ten cents to twenty cents per night. They have a place in the basement where baths may be taken, and where the men may do their laundry work. They are also furnishing good substantial meals for ten cents.

G. E. LANGDON

The Chicago Italian Church

I am happy to report the baptism of four new believers. Sunday, January 10, a large company gathered to witness the baptism of two brethren and two sisters, all Italians, at the West Erie Street church, Chicago, where we hold our regular meetings. The following Sabbath, January 16, they were taken into fellowship with the church which now numbers 22. We feel very grateful to the Lord for this additional fruit as the result of hard and arduous labor. We also feel especially thankful for the splendid success that is attending our church school, and it is our earnest desire that this year, 1915, will be the most prosperous in the history of our Italian work in this great city.

1419 W. Austin Ave.

R. CALDERONE

Volunteer Record for 1914

You will be glad to learn that our Volunteers passed the 1914 goal in every item. Our membership has increased by 70. The Standard of Attainment goal was 17, and we obtained 27 new members of Attainment. The Reading Course goal was 34, but 103 certificates were issued. The quota for China was \$846.50, and our young people gave \$1,189. Many times during the past year I have thanked God for our faithful, earnest young people. Their cooperation and zeal won the day. This record places our conference on the Honor Roll. It also means self-improvement, and the gospel message to many who knew it not a year ago.

The societies that reached the goal for China are: Aurora, Broadview, Central, Humboldt, North Shore, South Side, Galesburg, Hinsdale, Moline, and Sheridan. The following Junior Societies reached the goal on the China Bible Fund: Aledo, Humboldt, Italian, North Shore, Hinsdale, and Pontiac.

EDITH SHEPARD

Educational Institute

The Northern Illinois educational institute for our teachers, school boards, and school friends will be held in Chicago, Feb., 4-7, 1915. Thursday evening, Friday, and Sunday sessions will be held at the Humboldt Park church, 2914 West North Avenue; Sabbath morning at South Side church, 58 East Forty-sixth Street; and Sabbath 3 P. M. will be a union meeting at the Central church, corner Sacramento Boulevard and Warren Avenue. Elder L. H. Christian will have charge of the Sabbath afternoon service,

and we trust all the Chicago churches will gather at this special meeting. The Friday and Sunday sessions will open at 8:30 A. M., and continue during the day and evening. The evening meetings will begin at seven thirty. We hope that at least one member of every school board in the conference will be present at these meetings to study school plans with us.

Missionary Volunteer work will be presented Sunday evening, and we trust our near-by societies will attend.

Every teacher is expected to be present at every session. All interested in Christian education are cordially invited. Will the elders kindly announce the meetings in church, Sabbath, January 30.

EDITH SHEPARD

News Items

We believe that the issue of *Liberty* for the first quarter of 1915 is about the best both in appearance and contents that has ever been issued. It is a most valuable number to get before the people. We are sending it to all the judges and lawyers in this conference.

The auditing committee appointed to audit the accounts of the laborers for the year 1914 met at the conference office January 17.

We recently received a letter from a brother living at Lee, Ill., in which he enclosed a check for \$15 in payment for literature. He writes, "About four years ago I purchased from an agent a copy of 'Great Controversy.' I have long hungered for truth, and I rejoice to think that God magnifies the truth you are giving to the world." We trust our colporteurs will be encouraged by this good testimony.

We are continually receiving inquiries from those not of our faith concerning our literature, places of worship, etc. This seems to indicate that the Lord's Spirit is at work leading people to the truth.

The Chicago English West Side church is now permanently located at 2914 W. North Ave., the location of the new Danish hall. The services are held as usual in the afternoon, Sabbath school at 2 P. M. Transients visiting the city are invited to attend. Elder L. H. Christian spoke to the members there Sabbath. His encouraging words were much appreciated.

December

	Tithe	2%	F. M.		Tithe	2%	F. M.
Aledo.....	\$179 46	\$2 30	272 26	Hinsdale.....	248 99	.....	596 15
Aurora.....	40 10	1 50	6 14	Joliet.....	64 13	4 84	22 20
Belvidere.....	27 56	5 26	35 97	Kankakee.....	23 10	2 81	55 68
Broadview.....	150 64	1 89	113 72	Moline.....	93 61	4 25	291 20
Chicago				Onarga.....	3 56	68	38 58
Central.....	176 04	10 39	292 38	Ottawa.....	.....	.....	.....
Dearborn St..	63 46	3 26	48 70	Personal.....	.....	.....	.....
Englewood....	67 30	1 50	77 76	Pittwood.....	25 90	.....	39 66
German No. 1	177 49	65 58	54	Pontiac.....	7 28	35	27 34
" No. 2	57 68	65	13 52	Princeton.....	17 90	54	19 53
Humboldt P..	372 91	15 43	605 11	Rock Falls....	11 89	.....	6 50
46th Street ..	366 00	11 07	413 72	Rockford.....	66 59	2 50	42 42
North Shore..	136 62	1 96	235 17	Sheridan.....	31 59	36	247 08
Swedish.....	154 45	3 04	159 50	Streator.....	54 11	28	33 22
West Side....	68	6 21	171 25	Stockton.....	34 66	45	68 75
Italian.....	24 13	2 10	18 38	St. Anne.....	19 46	.....	6 56
Elgin.....	120 17	4 06	10 16	Waldron.....	59 94	.....	40 06
Freeport.....	17 76	77	32 32	Watseka.....	.....	.....	.....
Galesburg....	92 51	1 70	171 68	Zion City.....	.....	.....	3 73
Harvey.....	7 50	.....	16 47	Total.....	\$3062 49	90 45	4379 58

East Michigan Conference

Office Address, Holly, Mich.
President, Wm. Guthrie

Elders and Workers' Meeting

(Concluded)

The next topic, "How Can We Make the Harvest Ingathering a Greater Success?" was discussed by Elders Green, Westcott, and Hicks. "Visit the most favorable person in the neighborhood first and secure as large an offering as possible. With this name at the head of the list, visit others who may be interested in our work. With these names it will not be hard to secure good offerings from others. Go out on a good day if possible; people will be full of life and cheer.

"Several things are essential to a successful Harvest Ingathering campaign. Perhaps the first is prayer, and the best time to begin to pray is several days before the campaign opens. I felt that it was my business to ask, and it was their privilege to refuse if they wished. We should bring the whole church into this work. I believe a good plan is to set a goal and work until it is reached. Place the amount raised on the blackboard from week to week."

"Importance of Prayer and How to Promote Interest in the Mid-Week Meeting"

"This subject is of great importance to every church member, and especially to every church elder. We need to meet with God's people where there is an atmosphere of earnest prayer. I read of a colored man who went every Sabbath twenty miles to meeting. His Master said, 'Why do you go so far? It is a hard trip. You could enjoy the Sabbath right here.' Just then a coal of fire dropped from the grate and soon it began to die and get black. The colored man said, 'That is just like me. When I stay off here alone I get discouraged. When I go to meeting I feel warm and glad to be a servant of the Lord the rest of the week.' When I see a new convert begin to pray I know that there is hope of his remaining true to God. 'Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees.'

"The Saviour said, 'All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.' The next thing He said was, 'Go ye.' But before they went they were to tarry in Jerusalem. As a result of that prayer meeting we find that the Spirit and power of God was poured out upon them. To this people comes the same message, 'Go ye.' When the commission went to the disciples they tarried in prayer and we need to do the same thing."

From the topic presented by Miss Bell on "How Can We Enlist a Larger Number of Our Young People in Active Service," which was taken up Sunday forenoon, we learned that while the work is growing there is still much to be done. From an information blank sent out a few months ago it was learned that in the twenty-four churches reporting there were one hundred thirty-nine young people between the ages of fourteen and twenty-five. Of these thirty are Missionary Volunteers, five have church school privileges, seventy-two are church members, sixty-seven are unconverted, twenty-nine have left the truth

in ten years, twenty-two have married unbelievers in the same time, one out of three of these leaving the truth later.

A persistent effort must be made to hold our young people. Great efforts would be put forth to gain that number to the truth; an equal effort must be made to stop the drain. I believe that every heart responded to the following:

"May the new year resolve of everyone present today be to fill our church schools, establish more schools, fill the academy to overflowing, send a better representation to the College for a higher training, and see that every young person gets in touch with the great Volunteer movement right in our church. And remember that when we follow plans of the Lord's devising we are 'laborers together with God.'"

On Sunday afternoon Mrs. Lee S. Wheeler presented a number of ways to secure better results from our Sabbath schools. After presenting the importance of the Training Course, the tract society secretary came forward with a number of the Training Course books and very soon sold all he had, and took orders for several others.

The evening meetings throughout the convention were devoted to preaching services, many from the outside attending and were much interested in the subjects presented. Sabbath was a day of special consecration and putting away of sins. The question, "Were I to lose eternal life, what one sin would be the cause?" made it a time of deep heart-searching, and many resolved by the help of the Lord to take advance steps in the Christian life.

During the convention an opportunity was extended to the congregation to assist the little church at Elwell in erecting a new church building, and nearly twenty dollars was secured.

From a short report by our president we learned that during the year 197 had been baptized in the East Michigan Conference, and 82 are in preparation. By a unanimous vote our goal for 1915 is to be 250 baptized and 100 in preparation.

Some consideration was given to the advisability of holding four or five meetings the coming year in different parts of the conference, similar to the one just held, and inviting in all the church officers.

Those present expressed themselves as favoring the plan.

We believe that workers and elders returned to their homes with a greater determination to finish the work the Lord has given us to do.

TILLIE E. BARR, *Secretary*

Adelphian Academy News Notes

Nearly forty new books on religious, scientific, and literary subjects have been recently added to the library. Other volumes are to be secured in the near future.

The second semester of the school year began Tuesday, January 19.

Miss Flossie Winne, who has been in the Bible work in Detroit for some time, entered the academy last Monday. She was the ninety-ninth student to enroll.

Mr. Steen was at the elders' meeting in Saginaw from Friday until Sunday night. Mr. Phipps also spent Sunday at that gathering.

Additional science equipment has been recently purchased for the botany class. One of the most appreciated helps is a new microtone with which the class can prepare their own slides for microscopic work.

An occasional skating trip to a near-by lake is a recreation which a number have recently enjoyed.

December

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Ann Arbor.....	24 20	3 45	7 59	Linden	16 27	28 95
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Alma.....	185 69	2 09	51 10	Leslie.....
Arbela.....	41 71	2 96	18 44	Lansing.....	183 36	2 24	71 87
Adrian.....	5 21	42	16 72	Morrice.....
Bancroft.....	13 86	2 04	21 59	Mason.....	.....	.....	.....
Belleville.....	12 69	1 15	25 98	Memphis.....	23 51	4 20	6 08
Birmingham.....	93 25	10 56	20 66	Marine City.....	26 95	5 00	15 07
Bay City.....	115 81	1 87	52 59	Mid.and.....	33 63	.....	24 86
Breckenridge.....	.....	.....	.....	Mt. Forest.....	20 00	4 00	100 00
Bunker Hill.....	.....	.....	.....	N. Branch.....	19 11	89	16 75
Chesaning.....	35 72	2 92	52 64	Ola.....	.....	.....	.....
Coleman.....	33 85	5 28	17 57	Ovid.....	.....	.....	.....
Chapin.....	26 88	.....	8 35	Owosso.....	44 00	3 05	22 98
Clio.....	Oxford.....	95 78	5 44	78 05
Detroit.....	279 77	9 06	289 69	Otter Lake.....	29 07	3 98	31 98
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Detroit, W. S.....	Pt. Huron.....	21 35	1 10	13 17
Durand.....	60 75	6 89	32 48	Prattville.....	45 40	1 59	38 18
Edenville.....	71 65	1 50	49 57	Rapson.....	17 20	.....	41 04
Exeter.....	.....	.....	.....	Reese.....	1270 14	.....	52 14
Elwell.....	44 25	1 25	29 46	Rives.....	7 31	.....	19 55
Elmwood.....	13 60	2 75	4 68	St. Charles.....	174 29	.....	54 90
Fairgrove.....	36 83	4 43	94 15	St. Johns.....	.....	.....	.....
Flushing.....	12 60	10	22 10	Saginaw.....	67 62	5 87	84 10
Fint.....	141 75	8 69	73 41	Sandusky.....	6 00	.....	6 78
Freeland.....	.....	.....	.....	Spring Arbor.....	20 66	2 69	27 10
Greenbush.....	.....	.....	.....	St. Louis.....	47 34	10	17 79
Hillsdale.....	19 07	2 00	21 53	Sumner.....	67 64	2 34	18 35
Hazelton.....	92 71	.....	94 41	Vassar.....	112 17	6 94	40 20
Holly.....	325 71	48 09	175 13	Watrousville.....	27 51	1 02	22 21
Ithaca.....	49 83	7 75	17 10	Willis.....	14 90	2 58	17 09
Jackson.....	81 01	7 55	229 92	Westphalia.....	35 25	.....	4 10
Jefferson.....	43 46	2 22	16 70	White Lake.....	19 60	1 60	47 80
Luce.....	8 76	62	23 26	Individuals.....	22 12	26 20

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A Paraphrase

"There's so much good in the worst of us
 And so much bad in the best of us"
 That it best becomes the best of us
 To praise the best in the worst of us,
 And ill becomes the worst of us
 To mock at the faults of the best of us.
 Then let the best and the worst of us
 Extol the good in the both of us
 And hide the fault in the lot of us.

—Geo. B. Class

Might we not all resolve that every day we will do at least one act of kindness? Let us write a letter in such terms that the post will bring pleasure next day to some house; make a call just to let a friend know that he has been in our heart; send a gift on some one's birthday, marriage day, or any day we can invent. Let us make children glad with things which they long for and cannot obtain. And a thousand other things which we could do within a year, if we had eyes to see and a heart to feel and had the will to take some trouble.—*Ian Maclaren*

Obituaries

OSIER.—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Osier, died Dec. 22, 1914, at Friday Siding, and was laid to rest in the cemetery at the Riverside (Mich.) church Dec. 24. Words of comfort and prayer were offered by the writer.

E. E. PRATT

ST. CLAIR.—Iva Mildred St. Clair, aged 20 years, 5 months, and 11 days, daughter of G. A. and Etta St. Clair, died Oct., 15, 1914, at Paw Paw, Mich. In early youth she united with the First-day Adventist Church, and last spring she became a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Through all her suffering she maintained a patient spirit and a steadfast faith. A father, mother, two brothers, and six sisters mourn their loss.

MRS. COLBURN

JULIAN.—Sarah Frances Julian was born in Kansas March 26, 1896, and died at Cedar Lake, Mich., Nov. 14, 1914, aged 18 years, 7 months, and 18 days. At nine years of age she was left an orphan. She made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fishell and other friends until about a year ago, when she was taken sick. She was tenderly cared for by Mr. and Mrs. James Lowry. She died in full triumph of living faith in a soon-coming Saviour. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

R. U. GARRETT

KRAGER.—Julius Krager was born in Germany, Sept. 5, 1855, and died in Kalamazoo, Mich. Sept. 18, 1914. When he was seventeen years of age he came to America, and in 1878 he was married to Miss Sada Cramer, who died June 12, 1902. Five children, who are still living, were born to them. He and his wife united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1895, and were faithful members, always lending a helping hand to those in need. He rests in Jesus. Services were conducted in Kalamazoo, and in Glenwood, by the writer.

A. C. BORDEAU

WILMINGTON.—At his home near Indianapolis, Nov. 23 1914, George L. Wilmington peacefully fell asleep after more than a year of sickness. In early life he united with the M. E. Church in which he lived a devoted life. He recently accepted the third angel's message. He leaves a wife, two sons, one daughter, his mother, and one sister. His age was thirty-three years and two months. A large number of friends assembled at the funeral services where the writer, assisted by Elders Bristol and Sanders, gave comfort from the blessed word.

W. A. YOUNG

WALTERS.—Earl Walters died at Indianapolis, Ind., Oct. 27, 1914, aged 22 years and 22 days. He was reared by Adventists, but wandered away from the truth. He said that his downfall was occasioned by first attending five cent shows; and he desired to warn all of his friends to shun these places. Earl heartily repented of his wrongs, giving his heart fully to the Saviour and was baptized a few weeks before his death. The funeral was held at the Twenty-third Street Seventh-day Adventist church at Indianapolis, conducted by the writer, assisted by Elders Bristol and Hadley, and we laid him to rest in the Crown Hill Cemetery to await the coming of the Life-giver.

W. J. STONE

STEINEL.—Johanna Vogel Steinel was born in Barmen, Germany, Feb. 8, 1845. She came to Milwaukee in Nov. 1864. The following spring gave her heart to God. Oct. 15, 1865 she was married to John Steinel. One daughter and six sons survive. In 1887 she became a charter member of the Milwaukee Seventh-day Adventist church. She died Dec. 21, 1914, aged 69 years, 10 months, and 13 days. She was kind, loving and sympathetic, ever endeavoring to lead others to Christ, in whom she sleeps. The funeral service was conducted by Elders H. F. Graf, L. E. Wellman, and the writer, in the Seventh-day Adventist church in Milwaukee. She was laid to rest in the city cemetery.

W. H. THURSTON

HEADLEE.—Julia F. Headlee was born June 15, 1833 in Rush Co., Ind. In 1850 she was married to Joshua Headlee. Eight children were given them of whom five yet live. She died Jan. 3, 1915, at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 13 days. She was converted in early life and united with the Methodist Church. In 1886 she heard present truth, accepted it soon after, and remained true to its message. A large company gathered in the M. E. church in Manilla, Ind., where words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

W. A. YOUNG

ONEAL.—Avilla Angeline Oneal died near North Vernon, Ind., Dec. 23, 1914, aged 63 years, 7 months, and 1 day. She was married to Samuel Oneal Sept. 27, 1869. To them were born four children. Three of these, her husband, and eighteen grandchildren beside a number of other relatives and friends mourn their loss. Many years ago she heard and accepted the message. In her religious life she was faithful, devout, and zealous. Friends gathered in the M. E. church in Vernon where we presented some of the comforting promises of God.

W. A. YOUNG

PIGG.—Mary Ann Combs was born Dec. 20, 1837, and died in Smithboro, Ill., Nov. 30, 1914. June 26, 1853 she was married to William N. Pigg, who died about twenty-five years ago. She accepted present truth seventeen years ago, and has since lived a consistent Christian life. Three children, two brothers, and a number of grandchildren mourn their loss. The funeral service was conducted in the Methodist Church, at Mulberry Grove by the writer, assisted by the pastor. We laid her to rest to await the call of the Life-giver.

A. J. CLARK

ADAMS.—Emma Jane Adams was born at Pilotburg, Iowa, Oct. 14, 1867. She was reared in the truths as taught by Seventh-day Adventists, and was baptized at the age of fifteen. She taught for twenty-five years in the public schools of Iowa and Illinois. She died at her home in Chicago, Nov. 27 1914. Sister Adams was a charter member of the Ravenswood (Chicago) church. She especially loved to work for the children. Elder G. E. Langdon offered words of comfort from John 11:25. We believe she is "asleep in Jesus." Her resting place is in the Pilotburg Iowa Cemetery, near her old home.

F. A. MOTT

LANAVILLE.—Antone Lanaville was born in Oconto, Wis., Oct. 14, 1867, and died Dec. 17, 1914 at Harris, Mich. He was confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church; later he accepted the message of Jesus' soon return. Thirteen years ago he was married to Miss Sadie Wery. To this marriage were born two sons and two daughters. He is survived by his wife, three children, his aged father, three brothers, and six sisters. All who knew Brother Lanaville loved and respected him. He died the peaceful death of the righteous. Words of encouragement were spoken from Jer. 31:16 by the writer.

S. C. HANNON

JOHNSTON.—Paul P. Johnston was born March 29, 1896, and died at the home of his mother, Mrs. Nora Johnston, widow of the late Thos. S. Johnston of Boggstown, Ind., Nov. 30, 1914. When fourteen years of age he was baptized and has since been a faithful member of the Boggstown church. Prior to his death he made full arrangements for tithe to be paid on his personal effects, and a large portion of his share of the estate to go toward carrying the message of a soon-coming Saviour to foreign fields. He was preparing himself for foreign mission work. He was graduated from Beechwood Academy, afterwards going to Berrien Springs College for one year. Last year he finished the academic course at Mt. Vernon College. He was a great sufferer the last few months of his life, but the Saviour was such a comfort to him that he patiently bore his pain never complaining. He leaves a mother and two brothers to mourn their loss. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

E. A. BRISTOL

JOHNSON.—Aurie O., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glessner Johnson, was born Sept. 30, 1884, near Rockford, Ind., and died at Warren, Ind., Dec. 15, 1914, aged 30 years, 2 months, and 15 days. Death was caused from burns received from explosion of kerosene while starting a fire. At the age of nine, she was baptized and united with the Seventh-day Adventist Church and ever after sought to lead a consistent Christian life. She attended Beechwood Academy, where she was music instructor until her health forced her to give up her school work. Surviving her are father, mother, six sisters, and three brothers. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer. E. A. BRISTOL

BLACK.—Margeret Roberts Black was born at Farfor, Scotland, March 4, 1849, and died at Detroit, Mich., Nov. 21, 1914, aged 65 years, 8 months, and 17 days. In early life, mother became a Christian, uniting with the Presbyterian Church. About twenty-one years ago she united with the Seventh-day Adventists with whom she remained a faithful member till her death. Words of comfort were spoken by Elders L. T. Nicola and Lee S. Wheeler. She will be greatly missed, not only by the members of her immediate family, but also by all with whom she associated. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints." PAUL SCHNEPPE

THOMSON.—Peter Thomson was born in Auchencairn, Scotland, Nov. 18, 1831. When fifteen years of age he apprenticed himself to the captain of the Allen Ship Line and served his time in that employ. Just before the first steamship was brought out on the Allen Line, he came onto the Great Lakes, where, with the exception of one salt water trip to Cuba, he spent the rest of his sailing days. Captain Thomson retired from the lakes about six years ago. He died at his home at Cedar Lake, Mich., November 24, 1914. His Christian experience dates from early life. When a boy he was a Free Kirk member, later a Presbyterian. Many years ago he became convinced of the truths of the third angel's message, and was baptized into the faith in which he died, a conscientious, God-fearing Christian. The funeral service was conducted by Elder M. C. Guild of Saginaw, who drew from Rev. 14:12 the precious words of comfort granted only to those who die under the message of the third angel. J. G. LAMSON

God's Beautiful Plan

If the tithes were in the storehouse,
That belongeth to our King;
If all who share God's bounties,
All their tithes would quickly bring;
Heaven's window wide would open,
At the word of His command,
And blessings then would be poured out
Which would overflow the land.
If the tithe were in the storehouse,
It would not be very long
Till the weary hearts now crying,
Would be shouting Zion's song,
The "thirsty land" would then rejoice,
And waiting isles would sing;
If all the tithes were quickly brought,
That belongeth to our king.
Darkened hearts would soon be lighted
With God's message from above,
And thousands now in heathen lands
Would rejoice in heaven's love.
Come, ye stewards; haste, get ready!
All your tithes and offerings bring:
Soon you'll answer, as a steward,
To your quick returning King.

—A. T. Robinson

How many young people did you try to lead to Christ last week?

Every piece of work that we do which is well done is so much help; every piece of pretense and half-heartedness is so much hurt.—William Morris

There where turbid waters fall apart
From hidden depths of tangled ooze and mire,
The tall white lily lifts its golden heart;
Soul, shalt not thou aspire?—Selected

We are brought into existence because we are needed; and it is a sad thought that if we stand on the wrong side, in the ranks of the enemy, we are lost to the design of our creation.—Testimonies

We see a truth with clearer eyes for trying to make others see it. We lift our own load more easily for helping others bear their burdens. The giver never fails to get back.—A. T. Pierson.

Wouldst thou fashion for thyself a seemly life?
Then do not fret over what is past and gone;
And spite of all thou mayst have left behind
Live each day as if thy life were just begun.

—Goethe

When over the fair name of friend and foe
The shadows of disgrace shall fall, instead
Of words of blame, or proof of thus and so,
Let something good be said.

—James Whitcomb Riley

This is what life means to me: a place where a Father above deals differently unto His children, but with all in love; a place where true joys do not hang on material pegs, and where all the time the fact that God our Father is on His throne lines every cloud with gold.—W. T. Grenfell

Know thou, my heart, if thou art not happy today thou shalt never be happy. Today it is given thee to be patient, unselfish, purposeful; to be strong, and eager to work mightily. If thou doest these things, and doest them with a grateful heart, thou shalt be as happy as it is given man to be on earth.—Havergal

Do not let your vanity and self-love make you suppose that people become your friends at first sight, or even upon a short acquaintance. Real friendship is a slow grower, and never thrives unless engrafted upon a stock of known and reciprocal merit. Remember to make a great difference between companions and friends. Merit and good breeding will make their way everywhere.—Chesterfield

How can you tell whether you are growing? Ask yourself these questions: Are you getting taller? Are you able to overlook some things you were unable overlook last year? To overlook the sneering glance, the harsh word, the selfish, unkind or malicious deed? Serenely to overlook failure when you have done your best? Bravely to overlook misfortune when it was unavoidable? Cheerily to overlook dark days and darker frowns? Are you getting tall enough for this? —Amos R. Wells

Change of Address

Elder F. J. Harris' present address is 705 Easterday Ave., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.

Publication Wanted

H. G. Vlier, Hammond, Ind., desires late clean copies of our publications to use in missionary work. Please send post paid.

New Music

Mr. Chas. P. Whitford, who has for many years been connected with the Adventist people as a singing evangelist, has recently published a number of his favorite song selections. He is now aged and infirm, and depends to some extent upon his musical productions for a livelihood. Some of these are: Series 1—"Mansions for all Over There," "The Call of the Vesper Bells," "The Lamb of Calvary," "Sabbath Morning Hymn." The set 20 cents. Write to him for further particulars. Address Chas. P. Whitford, Drawer 28, Orlando, Fla.

Business Notices

WORK WANTED.—I desire work on a farm, preferably in Illinois. Earl C. Wood, R. F. D. 18, Box 94, Bunker Hill, Ill.

WANTED.—Work by married man with a Seventh-day Adventist family. Will work on shares or for cash. For particulars address, J. H. Mann, R. F. D. 10, Eaton Rapids, Mich.

WANTED.—A middle-aged, married man, a Sabbath-keeper, to work on a farm. H. C. Woelfle, R. F. D. 1, Box 8, Spring Arbor, Mich.

BASKETS AND BROOMS.—Twenty men wanted to sell on salary or commission. You can earn good wages in your own neighborhood, either city or country. For particulars address B. M. Butterfield, Berrien Springs, Mich.

PECANS.—Wild pecans from my Texas farm. New 1914 crop. Assorted stock. Highest in food value of any known product. Ten pound lots or over at 20 cents per pound, f. o. b. Chicago. J. F. Ament, 6005 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago, Ill.

HYGIENIC VEGETABLE COOKING OIL.—Fresh from the factory to your home. Not a compound. No more healthful shortening or salad dressing known. f. o. b. Louisville, Ky., 5-gal. can, \$3.90; two 5-gal. cans, \$7.80; 32-gal. bbl., \$21.44. Address Dr. O. C. Godsmark, Chattanooga, Tenn. F-3

COOKING OIL.—We sell pure vegetable cooking oils at best prices. Brotherhood Brand Oil, 5-gallon can for \$3.75; two cans for \$7.25. Wesson Oil, 5-gallon can, \$4.25; two cans, \$8.00. Write for further information. Prices on barrels on application. Address Adelpian Merchantile Co., Holly, Mich.

YOGURT CHEESE.—Mother and I are making a very fine grade of yogurt cheese. It is mild in flavor, and keeps nicely. Would'nt you like to try a half-pound sample for 25 cents prepaid? Will send 3 pounds in pound or half-pound packages to one address prepaid for \$1. Grace Amadon, St. Joseph, Mich.

WE QUOTE BEST PRICES.—Wesson Cooking Oil—1 five, gallon can, \$4.25; 2 five-gallon cans, \$8; 8 one gallon cans, \$7. Snowdrift Shortening—purely vegetable, all sizes, \$5.75 per case of three No. 20 cans, six No. 10 cans, or twelve No. 5 cans. Above price f. o. b. Chicago, or Bethel. Lots of two cases delivered within radius of 200 miles. Prices on barrel lots on application. Bethel Academy Store, Bethel, Wis.

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending

January 15, 1915

Southern Illinois

Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
David Rodney	BF	38	43	65 50	.....	65 50	.....
R. J. Watson	BF	45	46	70 00	6 00	76 00	12 00
W. B. Maris	DR	14	4	14 00	3 00	17 00	4 50
Tom Gerber	CK	22	5	7 50	.....	7 50	.....
Mary B. Long	HW	3	6	1 50	.....	1 50	.....
N. Thomblly	HW	24	18	29 00	.....	29 00	.....
Hugh Stearns	GC	26	26	42 50	.....	42 50	.....
Harry Bennett	CK	33	19	29 00	2 25	31 25	.....
A. P. Lager	CK	33	10	15 50	3 00	18 50	.....
M. H. Sexton	BF	18	8	12 00	.....	12 00	.....
		256	185	286 50	14 25	300 75	31 59

East Michigan

F. E. Nurnberger	GC	63	16	48 00	2 10	50 10	2 10
Loys E. Kader	BR	56	21	68 00	.....	68 00	.....
A. B. Fisk	CK	72	22	29 50	8 45	37 95	5 10
C. B. Graham	CK	57	4	12 00	.....	12 00	.....
C. Blair	BR	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 50
G. H. Hainer	BR	29	7	21 00	.....	21 00	.....
Alvin Van Alstine	GC	25	3	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
G. C. Mynett	BR	35	4	8 00	70	8 70	70
V. E. Toms	BR	17	5	15 00	50	15 50	50
		374	82	211 50	11 75	223 25	108 90

Indiana

J. C. Applegate	CK	32	2	3 00	8 70	11 70	24 90
C. J. Hartson	BR	11	2	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
C. C. King	DR	.....	7	24 00	.....	24 00	24 00
Mrs. H. Larimore	BF	4	3	4 50	.....	4 50	.....
C. F. Smith	DR	53	17	39 00	.....	39 00	.....
Mrs. Holland	BR	13	4	14 00	1 50	15 50	.....
J. I. Brown	BR	3	3	9 00	.....	9 00	.....
M. S. Grimm	BR	49	10	30 00	1 25	31 25	.....
D. J. Vincent	BR	2	4	12 00	.....	12 00	.....
Lewis Williams	BR	21	7	24 00	.....	24 00	.....
J. S. Davis	DR	26	3	10 00	.....	10 00	.....
Gus Ansonge	GC	27	5	17 00	2 25	19 25	.....
Irwin Williams	BR	21	2	6 00	.....	6 00	.....
Mrs. C. J. Hartson	CK	.....	16	25 00	17 25	42 25	.....
Ivan Hile	BR	12	4	13 00	.....	13 00	.....
Mrs. I. M. Hile	CK	.....	10	16 00	31 50	47 50	.....
		275	95	252 50	62 45	314 95	48 90

West Michigan

Grover E. Boddy	BR	37	3	9 00	70	9 70	18 35
F. L. Boothby	GC	37	9	27 00	35	27 35	35
*J. P. Garber	BR	72	14	43 00	1 75	44 75	1 75
Vern Mason	BR	39	10	31 00	60	31 60	60
Dick Hamstra	BR	33	9	28 00	2 25	30 25	.....
A. F. Lemon	BR	29	9	27 00	.....	27 00	9 00
O. A. P. miter	GC	33	7	21 25	1 55	22 80	70
E. M. Phillips	GC	40	12	37 00	2 10	39 10	1 40
		320	73	223 25	9 30	232 55	32 15

Northern Illinois

C. Barber	CK	76	31	46 50	75	48 25	.....
L. Clarke	DR	25	4	13 00	2 20	15 20	.....
Roy Van Vuren	CK	34	12	18 50	2 20	20 70	.....
		135	47	78 00	5 15	83 15	.....

Wisconsin

E. M. Bisbee	GC	26	9	27 00	2 85	29 85	.....
N. O. Kittleson	DR	50	12	43 00	1 35	44 35	.....
Claud Morris	GC	32	10	30 00	3 00	33 00	.....
		108	31	100 00	7 20	107 20	.....
49 Agents		1468	513	1151 75	110 10	1261 85	221 54

*Two weeks

PERIODICAL REPORT

Indiana

Paper	Hours	No.	Value
Beatrice Larimore	Watch	14	1 40
Alta Harvey	LH	150	18 00
		164	16 40

"La Sentinelle"

Our French magazine, *La Sentinelle*, is now issued every three months instead of twice a year. The yearly subscription price is 25 cents; single copy, 5 cents. This price is reduced to two and one-half cents per 50 copies. This paper is especially adapted to the work among French Catholics. Our brethren who have French speaking neighbors should esteem it a duty and a privilege to place this good paper in their hands. Order from *La Sentinelle*, South Lancaster, Mass., or through your tract society.

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Editor

To Our Contributors

All matter intended for publication in the HERALD should reach us not later than Thursday—News Items included. Anything reaching us later may not be published until the following week.

The February *Life and Health* is a very attractive number. The cover and first article, "Health Conservation at the Panama-Pacific Exposition," is illustrated with some very interesting cuts of the Exposition buildings.

The *Signs Monthly* for February shows an interesting line of subjects. Here are a few of them, "The Coming Famine," "Attacking Christianity," "Satan Has Been Truly Converted," "Turkey and the World," "Why the World Did Not End in 1914 According to the Prediction of the Millennial Dawn Preacher."

Notice

Those of our brethren who are in touch with French speaking people who are interested in the truth are requested to send these persons' addresses to Elder G. G. Roth, South Lancaster, Mass. Brother Roth, who is superintendent of the French work in North America, is very desirous that all such persons be provided with French tracts and papers.

An Important Book

"A Straight Talk to Old Brethren" is the title of a book written by Elder J. H. Morrison, containing two hundred twenty-four pages. This book has a field of its own. It reviews and gives facts and confessions made by leading men that have from time to time left our work and started movements in opposition to the organized work of Seventh-day Adventists. It gives something of the history and demise of five different papers that have been started at different times against our work by these spasmodic movements.

The book is devoted especially to a review and the consideration of the teachings of Elders A. T. Jones, A. F. Ballenger, and G. G. Rupert, who have in a way been united in an effort and are contributors to a publication called *The Gathering Call*, whose object and purpose is especially to oppose the organized movement of Seventh-day Adventists. Everyone will find a perusal of this book most interesting.

Elder Morrison is one of our oldest ministers, and by practical experience and knowledge of these various movements, knows what he is talking about. He has been president of different conferences, and a member for many years of the General Conference Committee; and those who read his book will appreciate the clearness of his arguments, and the unique manner in which he treats the subject under consideration.

This book has been turned over to Union College, and whatever little profit may be in it, the college will have the benefit of the same. The price of the book, when ordered three or more copies sent to one address, will be 30 cents, postage prepaid. When sent in less than three copies, it will be 35 cents, postage prepaid. All orders for the book should be sent direct to Union College Printing Department, College View, Nebr.

R. A. UNDERWOOD

College

A missionary symposium constituted one of the most inspiring chapel exercises of the year. Those heard from were: K. H. Wood, treasurer of the East China Mission; Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Webber of Japan; Prof. Joel C. Rogers, Central Africa; and Pastor W. B. White, South Africa. The dominant tone of every letter was the need of men and women to enter the waiting fields. This, as ever, came close to the hearts of the preparing students.

Attorney Kavanagh of Berrien Springs spoke to the College Missionary Volunteer Society on Temperance Sabbath afternoon. His masterly refutation of the saloon men's arguments for liquor traffic was thoroughly appreciated. With him we share the hope and expectation that Berrien County will go "dry" when voted upon next spring.

Elder S. E. Wight of Nashville, Tenn., spoke in chapel, Tuesday, January 19.

Professor Graf and Elder Wakeham were at the West Michigan Conference elders and workers' meeting in Grand Rapids the latter part of last week.

Elder H. H. Votaw, superintendent of the Burma Mission, spoke in vespers and the Sabbath service. He also gave a lecture on the country of his heart evening after the Sabbath. In whatever he said there sounded one clear note: Be all you can that you may serve all you can.

College Debt Fund

Previously Reported	2575.57
Carl Clough	10.00
Jennie DeYoung	5.00
Oxford Church	18.50
Two-Per-Cent-Fund	235.59
Total	2844.66

Miss Jennie DeYoung writes from Holland, Mich., "Enclose find money order for \$5 for College Debt Fund. I have been watching the increase of the fund, and also want a share in making it grow. God's people will be willing in the day of His power."

Carl Clough writes, "Enclosed you will find another little addition to the College Debt Fund which I hope will continually diminish until, in a comparatively short time, it will be liquidated. Pray, work, give!"