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Editor.

Important Testimony to our Brethren in New York.

WE are called to have a superior faith, because of increased light above the light of God's ancient people. Whosoever will be the friend of the world, is the enemy of God. The times in which we are living call for you who believe, to arouse, to put the armor on. You have not done any too much, but not enough. The natural consequence of works in accordance with your faith is an increased knowledge of truth and experience in heavenly things, a higher degree of consecration of all our powers and all our possessions to God; and the more firmly we walk in the path of faith, the greater will be our separation from the world, and from darkness. We will come closer and still closer to the side of the Great Light of the world. Christ is coming. We shall enter upon the year 1887 before this reaches you. Will you give to God a New Year's offering? Will you consecrate yourselves, soul, body, and spirit to God? Will you lay upon his altar that which belongs to God? Will you cut loose from the world, and will you evidence that you believe the truth? Will you cease to rob God in tithes and in offerings? "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing,

that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

I was in my dream a few nights since talking with you who were assembled. A large congregation was before me. I talked, I wept, I prayed, and some seemed to be as unimpossible as the granite rocks, but there was a mighty revealing of the Spirit of God. Jesus walked through our midst, he touched one and another, and still another, and how their faces lighted up! They praised God with joyful hearts. Some were passed by. Light was shining, everywhere, but some poor souls Jesus looked upon with pity; they slunk into dark corners, they did not try to come to the light, while others rushed from the darkness, forcing their way, as tho it was life or death with them, and the cry went forth as I never heard it before, "What shall I do to be saved?" There were confessions of sins; there was rejoicing of sins forgiven. It seemed to me they were reigned up before the Judgment. But all did not participate. They had not been walking in the company of Jesus, but apart from him, and they did not realize his presence. They seemed to think it was not Jesus. Alas! they did not know him! What a solemn impression was left upon minds! I feel that it is time to awake out of sleep, to arise from the dead, and Christ will give you life. Ye are a royal nation, a peculiar people to show forth the praises of Him, who hath called you out of the darkness into his marvelous light. O, we may sit together in heavenly places! The light shineth in darkness, but the darkness comprehendeth it not. God forbid that we should lose the heavenly blessings because we do not comprehend the light. We must be God's peculiar people in good works.

May the Lord help you to put away darkness, and come to the light. Where there is one man laboring in New York there ought to be one hundred. The Lord has given the light of truth, but men who have means are encouraged in the covetousness which will prove their ruin, by limiting the work of God

to meet the selfishness, and worldly-loving spirit of those who claim to believe the truth. Brethren, it is too late in the day for this kind of work. The precious light which has been freely given to us of God was not given to Sodom or Gomorrah, or they would not have perished in their sins. We have superior advantages, and we shall be judged by the light and privileges of the times in which we are living. God will not give judgment in our favor, because like Capernaum we are now exalted to heaven in point of privileges. But what use have we made of God's blessings? Are we walking in the light, working in the light, in accordance with the holy character of truth which we possess? There is a great work to be done in home missions. In laboring in America you do not have the difficulties which we have here in Europe. What is wanted is men sanctified in heart and life, elevated and ennobled by the greatness of the truth. We need men who will have the true enterprising spirit of doing something, who will walk humbly with God, and who will strive to push the triumphs of the cross of Christ.

May God help you not to do less than you have done, but to do a much greater work in the Lord. The day is far spent, the night is at hand. The watchman must cry, "The morning cometh, and also the night."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

[CONCLUDED.]

The Tent Fund.

DURING our last annual camp-meetings, an effort was made to raise a Tent and Camp-Meeting Fund, to cancel our indebtedness for tents, purchase such new tents as we need, and defray the current expenses of our camp-meetings.

At that time we were owing the Battle Creek Tent Company nearly \$500.00 for tents. We are glad to be able to inform our brethren and sisters that this entire debt has been canceled, and to-day we do not owe them a cent, and we have a small balance still in the treasury to the credit of this fund. We thank the Lord for this.

But we wish to plan for the future. We would like to hold two or more camp-meetings this summer. In order to do this we shall need some money to defray expenses. Camp-meetings frequently do not pay their way, and we need a fund from which to draw. In starting a camp-meeting we need quite a sum of money to pay running expenses till we can realize something from the meeting. Where shall this come from? We would be glad if our camp-meeting fund could be augmented enough to meet

all demands. Some have unpaid pledges. These should be sent in. Let others contribute also, and let there be a stream of finances roll in which will encourage us to hold some camp-meetings. Some liberal donations have come in of late for this fund. We are expecting others. Please keep this matter in mind.

G. B. THOMPSON.

Norwich.

NORWICH is a place where Elders Ball and Hyatt have labored some little time in the past, resulting in bringing some sixteen into the truth, and these, in connection with those who were already in the truth, constituted a company of some twenty-five. A few of these were formerly Sabbath-keepers of the S. D. Baptist faith. Then there were a few Sabbath-keepers here who were already of the Adventist faith. This company has had very little ministerial attention for the past two years, and this inattention has been followed by a dropping off of some eight or ten.

When I came here it was in view of working to the end of effecting a church organization, if a favorable condition could be secured to thus result. I found much to be done preparatory to the end sought, and at times it looked quite dubious. But after I had once taken hold of the work, I determined to have victory in the name of Heaven, if I had to hold on all winter. I just couldn't give up. Circumstances have been such that the work has gone rather slowly. Not being able to have a public place of service only two days in a week, it became a house-to-house work. Finally a condition of things obtained for organization, and a church of seventeen members, has been organized and fully officered. I never organized a church where everything moved off more smoothly than here. There wasn't even the least semblance of a discordant note. It was a blessed occasion. I had quite a set back and pull over the jewelry question at the outset, but Heaven gave us a clean victory, and it all went by the board. Five were baptized in the baptistery of the First Baptist Church here.

I ought to say in this connection that a Sister Abell, of the S. D. A. Church in Brooklyn, who has been here for some years, has been very efficient in helping to hold and develop the work. She goes back to Brooklyn in about two months. She will be greatly missed. May her mantle rest on some one else. I believe those here now in the truth will be faithful. May it be so. I have become much attached to these dear souls, and there are chords in my soul on which my separation from them will draw heavily.

I leave this week for a series of meetings at Trout Creek, a small village in Delaware county. Please let me have an interest in your prayers.

J. W. RAYMOND.

Sayings of Men.

PETER denied his Lord because he shrank from what people were saying about the Master and his followers. We think Peter did an awful thing, and so he did, but suppose we look about and see if we are clear in this. The Holy Spirit puts words into our lips, and they are repressed for fear somebody will think strangely of us for saying them. Some sweet act is suggested by the Lord to our hearts, and we stop short of doing it for fear we shall not maintain the prestige we desire with some human companion. How is this unlike what Peter did in principle?

How many have not stood by a silent witness and heard that dearest of Names profaned repeatedly without showing his colors! Why not say something in defense of the Lord? "O, it would sound so out of place to say anything," seems to be in the very air. Yes, but how about the cursing and swearing? Is that in place, and a fitting thing to do? Some suggested remark by the Spirit of Christ might so ring in the blasphemer's mind to result in his salvation.

We are told not to fear men. Peter feared them until he was converted, and so shall we. Nothing but the true fear and love of God in the heart will ever take this slavish fear of man from the soul, but the indwelling Spirit of God is able to accomplish this transformation, and give us complete victory. It all comes through prayer. Peter's did. Ours will too.

South Pultney.

THE same disappointment met me here on account of Brother Thompson's being sick. This little village is on the west side of Lake Kenka, the land of vineyards. Our people have a commodious house of worship, which is a commendation to their devotion to the message. We held several meetings with them, all of which were well attended, considering that we had such cold, stormy weather. The coming of the Master, and the preparation for it, were the themes dwelt upon. There was such an interest from the outside that it seemed a pity to leave it. This church ought to have some experienced laborer spend some time with them. I think it would result in a good addition to their numbers.

During the past five months, in company with the president, I have visited the larger portion of the churches in the Conference. We have been received with such a warm Christian spirit that it reminded me of the first days of the message. We have sold many of the writings on the Spirit of Prophecy. There is a respect in our churches for the voice of the Spirit which is encouraging. I have formed many new and interesting acquaintances during this time.

We have gathered up and sent in forty-six names of individuals who ought to attend the Academy at South Lancaster, and thus put on a finishing touch for some place in the work. A. O. BURRILL.

Nunda.

FROM Wellsville we came to Nunda. We stopped for a few hours in Hornellsville at the home of Brother and Sister Whiting, and was pleased to find them planning to enter the work soon.

The meeting at Nunda was greatly blessed of the Lord. It seemed good to find this little company so full of union, and growing in grace, tho they have had no ministerial help for some time. We spent two days here, holding four services. I expected to visit Wallace and South Pultney from here, but owing to having taken a severe cold, rendering me unfit to speak, I was compelled to let Eld. Burrill fill the appointments alone, and take a few days to rest. I expect to visit these churches later.

G. B. THOMPSON.

Star-of-Hope Mission.

REPORT FOR FEBRUARY.

No. lod'g's in cash or work,	1045	Gospel meetings held,	27
" lunces " " " "	5637	Bible readings " "	20
" baths free.	8	Cash rec'd for lod'g's,	\$60.18
" garments distributed,	80	" " " lunces,	41.74
Cash received in donations, \$38.45.			

DONATIONS RECEIVED DURING FEBRUARY.

Members of Buffalo Church, \$3.35; N. Y. Conference, per Eld. G. B. Thompson, \$30.00; per N. Y. Tract Soc'y., \$3.60; Mrs. G. W. Knapp, \$1.00; Miss C. A. Cornish, 25c; Miss Effie Gilbert, 25c; F. H. Hicks and J. P. Wiencke and wife, bag of peanuts, beans, dried apples and nut butter; Gouverneur Church, 1 bbl. clothing; C. M. Crumb, lot of printed matter; Wellsville Church, 1 bbl. containing 1 sack of beans, 1 sack dried apples and clothing; H-O Mills, Buffalo, 1/2 bbl. of rolled oats; Shinglehouse Church, per Mrs. C. H. Mc Namire, 1 box containing 20 yds. carpet, bed quilt, and clothes; West Monroe, per W. H. Andrews, 1 box provisions and clothing; friends at Sauquoit, per Libbie Brower, 1 bbl. clothing. GEO. R. LESCH.

Are you growing thorns? If your life is not growing the fruit of the Spirit. — "love, joy, peace," etc., it is producing thorns and briers, only to be rejected, "whose end is to be burned." For which crop are you sowing?

A HOME worker writes: "I can not leave home to be gone all day at one time, but I just love the work. The more I canvass, the better I like it. I think it very strange that so many of our brethren and sisters settle down so contentedly at home, when the fields are white to harvest and laborers are so few. I hope the time will come when I can give all my time to the Master's service."

Be Careful With Your Friend.

Don't flatter yourselves that friendship authorizes you to say disagreeable things to your intimates. On the contrary, the nearer you come into relation with a person, the more necessary do tact and courtesy become. Except in cases of necessity, which are rare, leave your friend to learn unpleasant truths from his enemies; they are ready enough to tell him.—*Oliver Wendell Holmes.*

Notice.

In answer to many inquiries and in order to remove what seems to be a wide-spread misapprehension, the undersigned desires to say that neither himself nor any person connected with the Sanitarium, the Sanitarium Health Food Co., The Sanitary Supply Co., or the Sanitas Nut Food Co., is at the present time or has been at any time connected with a firm advertising under the name, "Kellogg Sanitas Co."

J. H. KELLOGG.

"Creditors have better memories than debtors."

"If you would know the value of money, go and try to borrow some."

It is well to be sure we are free from the defects we condemn in others before we say very much about their failings.

"Self-supporting missionary work." Who started this expression? Can it be traced back into absolute fact? Think about it.

Items.

The Sabbath-school Quarterlies are on hand. Order early.

Correspondents of W. S. Cleveland, will please address him at 317 W. Bloomfield St., Roma, N. Y., instead of Jamestown, and his mail will be forwarded on to him promptly.

A card received from Eld. A. R. Hyatt, dated March 1, states they are both well excepting Sister Hyatt is bothered with hives. Their present address is 104 North St., Halifax, N. S., Canada.

The important Testimony sent us in New York is concluded this week. Please preserve these papers for future study.

God is good to tell us the truth. Let us heed his warnings and entreaties.

A copy of the Educational Signs has just reached our table. It is a bright interesting number, well illustrated, and should be distributed widely. Five copies to one address, 15c; 25 or more, at 2c each.

One of our foreign missionaries writes, "My wife sold her sewing machine and many of her wedding presents, even clothing to extend the work here." Question: Are we sacrificing as much to sustain these faithful workers in the foreign field?

A tract has come to our table from the pen of Eld. J. O. Corliss, giving the history of Mr. Garmire, the publisher of that *Gospel Review* which is being circulated so freely among our people by means of the *Review* list which he stole. Price 2c. All elders should procure a copy and read it to their churches.

Those sending in answers to the questions on the field (and we are glad to see these letters increasing) will please observe the following to assist here: 1. Number each answer to correspond with question. 2. Number the pages, writing on both sides, and using a light paper, to avoid double postage. 3. Write plainly. 4. The postage requires 2c for each ounce and fraction thereof.

By ordering now, you can obtain six numbers of *Bible Students' Library*, a full year's subscription, for only 25c. This includes Eld. E. J. Waggoner's treatise on the book of Galatians (the price of which alone is 25c) which will be a valuable aid to the study of the Sabbath-school lessons during the last six months of this year. The offer begins with No. 159. A. T. Jones' pamphlet on "Christian Patriotism."

BUSINESS NOTICES.

Under this head will be published short business notices for 25c for one insertion. Notice not to exceed four lines. It is best to send cash with item to be published.

We have had some crackers made to our order, shortened with "Ko-Nut," Milk style. To start them we offer them at 8c per lb. Bbls. of 48 lbs. at 7½c per lb. We hope soon to have something new in graham's. Our crackers are made without soda, and contain no animal substances. All who have tried them are well pleased with them. Address The New York Food Co., Oxford, N. Y.

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\$10.75 FOR \$6.75

We will ship to any address for \$6.75 cash, "Guide for Nut Cookery," perfected ball-bearing Nut Butter Mill, Family Blanching Mill, and 50 lbs. extra No. 1 Shelled Spanish Peanuts. Without the Blanching Mill, 75c less. Our mill has been on the market for four years, and has been greatly improved. Nearly 3,000 in use. A child can operate it. It makes fine sterilized nut butter. "Guide for Nut Cookery" tells how. It also contains recipes for a large variety of nut foods. It is a complete recipe book, showing the most healthful ways to prepare nuts, grains, legumes, and all variety of foods. Write for descriptive circulars and prices on nuts and health foods.

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