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AND HIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM SHALL BE PREACHED IN ALL THE WORLD FOR A WITNESS UNTO ALL NATIONS AND THEN SHALL THE END COME. MATT. 24:14

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It may be that the future has less bitter than we think;
The Lord may sweeten the waters
Before we stoop to drink.
Or if Marah must be Marah,
He will stand beside the brink. —Sel.

North Creek.

THE meeting held with this church, Sept. 27-30, was the most generally attended of any held for a long time. Tho the church is widely scattered, but few members were absent. Eld. Watt, president of the Vermont Conference, was present and enjoyed much of the blessing of God in his labors. The quarterly meeting was held, and the largest number who ever celebrated the ordinances with this church was present on this occasion. The sweet Spirit of the Lord came into every heart. This is always so when God's people are united.

The church school here is in progress, and is proving a blessing to the church. At the present time it is held at the home of Brother and Sister Cowles, but it is the intention to erect a school building soon, and a site was positively decided upon at this meeting. The church is scattered and they experience difficulties on this account, but the Lord is helping them to bridge over the difficulties. Experience is demonstrating that in this matter many of the seem-

ing mountains will become a plain if we move on as the Lord has told us to do.

One cheering omen in this meeting was to see some of the old battle-scarred veterans of the canvassing work planning to buckle on the armor anew, and lead out in this work. The church, too, are intending to do active missionary work. They laid in a supply of "Object Lessons," and have donated liberally to the material fund.

I greatly enjoyed meeting with this church once more, and as we left them hopeful and rejoicing in the truth, a fervent prayer went up that we might all meet on the sea of glass in the coming day. Will any fall out by the way and be lost? Gracious Lord, forbid.

G. B. THOMPSON.

The Hireling.

THE kingdom of Christ on earth admits of no spirit of the hireling. God's true servants are not working for wages. There is a truer and deeper love burning in the heart than to obtain the things of this life. The love for souls inspires him to labor on, regardless of the reward he may get.

Eternal life is a *gift*. No man can earn it. It is God's reward for love. Love for man in his lost condition, prompted the plan of salvation. The Son was the Infinite Father's gift of love to us. In return he expects humble, sincere love from us. This will manifest itself in loving service for those in a perishing condition.

Love cannot be inactive. Thus love must serve. If salvation is appreciated by us, we shall let it be known. We shall labor for others, earnestly, faithfully, and cheerfully.

"It is not the length of time we labor, but our willingness and fidelity in the work, that makes it acceptable to God. In all our service a full surrender of self is demanded. The smallest duty done in sincerity and self-forgetfulness, is more pleasing to

God than the greatest work when marred with self-seeking. He looks to see how much of the spirit of Christ we cherish, and how much of the likeness of Christ our work reveals. He regards more the love and faithfulness with which we work than the amount we do.

"Only when selfishness is dead, when strife for supremacy is banished, when gratitude fills the heart, and love makes fragrant the life,—it is only then that Christ is abiding in the soul, and we are recognized as laborers together with God.

"However trying their labor, the true workers do not regard it as drudgery. They are ready to spend and to be spent; but it is a cheerful work, done with a glad heart. Joy in God is expressed through Jesus Christ. Their joy is the joy set before Christ.—'to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish his work.'"

We may have professed the truth, ten, fifteen, twenty years, or perhaps even longer. This will avail only as now we are obedient to the light and humbly walking therein.

The admonition to all is, Examine yourselves whether ye be in the faith. Prove your own selves. Let us seek to do all we do for Christ with the right motive in the soul, not forgetting that our work shall not be in vain *in the Lord*.

B.

Church Officers and People.

THE time of all times for selling books being now at hand, I wish to appeal to the officers and people of our churches to summon all the good intentions and good resolutions of the past ten months, and let them be concentrated upon the work right now, with irresistible intensity. The urgency and importance of the case demand this. Multitudes are dependent upon us for the truth that God has entrusted to us to give to them; and God has sent his ministers to the churches with powerful exhortations, and appeal upon appeal has been made to get us to work. Shall it be in vain that we have been moved upon to say within ourselves that we must and would work for God?

When Christmas was past last year, we said, "O, that we had had the books, then we might have sold so many of 'Christ's Object Lessons,' and so readily for holiday presents!" And so we might; but are we as anxious now as we were then, or as we thought we were, to get this blessed book into hands and homes where it would be fulfilling its mission? This is a question for each to ask himself, not for self condemnation, but to awaken dormant energies and latent powers.

Solicit orders from every man and woman who calls at your home, and from others whom you meet, anywhere and everywhere, unless circumstances actually forbid; go out and put in time calling from house to house, office to office, and from store to store. Do it soon; please, yes, very soon; do not procrastinate, do not delay,—no, not for any cause whatsoever. God says, "every member of every family in every church," and the Testimony also says that while the Lord does not force any man to work, yet to those who will place themselves decidedly on his side, he will give a willing mind. Please read again the little leaflet, "Rolling Back the Reproach."

I would advise that a children's book, such as, "Best Stories from the Best Book," "Gospel Primer," "The House We Live In," etc., be carried at this season of the year in connection with "Christ's Object Lessons." Fifty per cent. commission will be allowed upon these books.

Some who have been selling "Object Lessons" are taking up regular canvassing. This is right, and it is hoped your State agent will hear from many more of this class. Observe that the canvassers are making a very good record.

It will readily be seen that the object of this appeal is to suggest to elders, librarians, and people that they now do this work without any further visits from our general workers, thus leaving all our ministers free to expend their energies doing the very same thing that you are asked to do, viz.: *selling books to individuals not of our faith*. In this way, much more may be accomplished. Shall it be so? Let every one say, "Amen, the Lord being my helper, I will do my part," and go to work with a will.

E. E. MILES, *Pub. Agt., E. U. C.*

What a Canvasser Says.

"LAST Monday it was too muddy to go on my wheel, so mother took the horse and carried me to my field. I walked the rest of the week. I put in forty hours, and took twenty-four orders."

Fathers and mothers, Do you see how you can help a canvasser? Follow this example and your sons and daughters will be sending reports to the INDICATOR.

B. B. NOFTSGER.

Keene.

THE general meeting at this place was held Oct. 3-6. Brethren Carr and Lester Pratt kindly provided us transportation from North Creek. The attendance was not so large as on former occasions owing

to the brethren at Saranac Lake being detained at home preparing for the opening of their church school. But the Lord came graciously near to his people, and a refreshing from the Sanctuary was experienced. Eld. Watt was present and had his usual freedom and power in presenting the truth. His presence was much appreciated. It seemed good to witness the willingness with which all here take hold and lift on all branches of the work. They have disposed of several copies of "Christ's Object Lessons," and ordered some more while were there. The church here is of good courage.

One service was held on the journey to Keene from North Creek at Schroon Lake. There is a good church building here, and the few believers maintain weekly meetings.

Oct. 7, Eld. Watt and I separated, he going on to Vermont, while I crossed the mountains to Saranac Lake. I found all here full of courage. Sister Johnson had arrived and commenced school that day. She was very much pleased with the surroundings, and hopeful for a good school. The brethren and sisters were glad to be able to send their dear children to our own school and to a Christian teacher to be taught the word of the Lord. I felt very thankful for the excellent prospect for the school. Those not of our faith are preparing to send their children, and about twenty pupils will probably be in attendance.

The following day, I left for Rome on my way to other appointments. While at Lake Clear Junction, as the train pulled into the station, a lady who was waiting for the train to take her to New York City, in some way was caught and drawn under the train. Her head, both legs, and one arm were cut off in an instant. It was the most dreadful sight I ever witnessed; I wish I could blot it from my memory. A few hours after this I passed a wreck where four men were killed the same morning. I felt impressed with the words of a recent Testimony, that traveling is now compassed with the greatest dangers. We need to pray much, brethren and sisters, that the protecting angels may linger near us.

G. B. THOMPSON.

South Lancaster Academy.

I PRESUME that many of our brethren and sisters in the Eastern Union Conference are interested in the South Lancaster Academy this year as they never have been in previous years. As we become acquainted with our students this year, and learn that they represent almost every portion of this great eastern country, we realize that the people of this

Union Conference are becoming more closely connected with its educational institution. And not only is our Union Conference represented, but we find here those from Texas, Michigan, Australia, India, and Quebec. Our total enrollment, up to Oct 4, is 130, a number considerably larger than we have had at this time of the year since I have been connected with the institution. Also we find these young people of a most excellent class, those who have come here with a purpose and a determination to fit themselves for greater fields of usefulness in the service of the Master. We feel that the Lord has blessed us greatly thus far in sending to us these young people, and because he has done this we believe that his special blessing will be with us as never before in our endeavors to train them for his service according to the principles which he has given. We thank him for this.

The church school work in the Union Conference is opening up nicely. Our people seem to be getting hold of the truth along these lines, and new schools are starting this fall. We are finding some difficulty in securing teachers to supply all the demands made upon us at this late day, but we are endeavoring to fill every place. It seems to me there ought to be more young people among Seventh-Day Adventists in the Conference who should be here preparing for this work in our church schools. Now is the time to be getting the preparation. A year's work in one of our training schools will give many a young man or woman just what they need to take up this work. Are there not some in your church, your neighborhood, your Conference, whom you know ought to be here? Will you not interest them in the school? Perhaps you may find them in your own home. I shall be very glad to hear from anyone upon this subject, to answer any questions you may have to ask, or to send a copy of our latest catalog or calendar to any. Please enclose three cents for postage on the catalog.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

PLEASE answer through the INDICATOR, How many books are there in A. T. Jones' series of "Empires of the Bible," and the price of each?

MRS. O. D. WASHBURN.

Three.

"Empires of the Bible" gives the history of the times of the Bible from the flood to the captivity in Babylon. Price, \$1.50, post-paid.

"Great Empires of Prophecy" takes up the history at Babylon and traces it down to the fall of the Roman Empire. This book contains 696 pp., and the price is \$2.00, post-paid.

"Ecclesiastical Empire," embracing the leading events in history from the fall of Rome to the present day. Price, \$2.50, post-paid.

B.

CANVASSING REPORT

Week Ending, October 11, 1901.

AGENT.	Hrs.	Ords.	Val.	H'pls	Del.	Val.
COMING KING.						
Charles W. Brown, Ricard,	28	5	5 50	1 75		
Clara M. Coe, Lycoming,	40	24	25 50			
PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS.						
M. W. Milks, Oswego Falls,	20	1	2 25			
GREAT CONTROVERSY.						
J. H. Deeley, Binghamton,		3	8 50	5 25		6 50
MARVEL OF NATIONS.						
Mrs. M. Fryer, Middletown,		3	4 25	11 00		
BEST STORIES.						
A. E. Holst, Jamestown,			25 00	1 00		
Miscellaneous Orders,			19 00			
Totals, (agents, 6)	88	36	\$ 90 00	19 00		6 50

"Marvel of Nations."

SEVERAL are making inquiry about their books "Marvel of Nations" ordered. We have been unable to get our stock. The book has been delayed a little to include the account of the late President, which has necessarily hindered its publication. As soon as our books arrive, all orders will be promptly filled.

NOTICE TO AGENTS.

It has been decided to abandon the use of the prospectuses for "Marvel" already sent out, and use the whole book with leaves inserted in the back for names. The names of all those ordering prospectuses of us will be forwarded to the publishers, and they will send you a new prospectus. Please destroy the old one, of course first copying off the names of subscribers into the new book.

The prospects are there will be a good sale of this important book this fall.

"Signs of the Times" and "Christ's Object Lessons."

DURING October, November, and December, special agents' rates will be given on *Signs* subscriptions secured by those canvassing for "Christ's Object Lessons." These rates are 75c for new yearly subscriptions. They are also allowed to regular book canvassers but not to Conference laborers, who always pay \$1.00 for yearly subscriptions, and 60c for six months' subscriptions.

If desired, the paper and book may be combined at \$2.25, but neither the book nor the paper should be sold alone for less than the regular rate of \$1.25 for the book and \$1.50 for the paper.

We hope this special agents' privilege will be used in a way that will bring many precious souls to a knowledge of the truth. "SIGNS OF THE TIMES."

Oakland, Cal., Oct. 4, 1901.

Appointments.

No Providence preventing, we will meet with the church in Alden, Sabbath, Oct. 19, and longer if the interest demands.
A. O. BURRILL,
B. E. CONNERLY.

QUARTERLY meeting will be held at Fulton S. D. A. Chapel, Sabbath, Oct. 19. Would like to have all who are able of the surrounding churches attend.

DELL PICKARD, church clerk.

Items.

Earnest Raymond accompanies Eld. Hyatt in the work in Delaware county.

A. R. Hyatt has ordered twenty-five copies of the *Signs* to begin work at Oneonta.

Brother S. N. Curtiss reports a falling off of sales at the Branch Office the past three months over corresponding time last year.

It would be a great advantage to the work if we had about \$400.00 or \$500.00 to invest in books for the holiday trade. We could thus fill emergency orders from this office and save time.

It is expected the librarians will pay promptly for all orders they have forwarded to the office during the quarter. So if you have ordered any paper and have not paid the librarian, now is the time to do so.

Please read carefully what Brother Miles says in another column upon the importance of working with "Object Lessons" just now. We are pained to say but few of these good books are being sold. The smaller books he suggests are good. Shall we delay longer?

Dr. G. S. Honeywell, of Newburgh, N. Y., was united in marriage to Miss Nellie A. Patchen, of Juniata, Ala., Oct. 3, 1901, by Eld. W. S. Bird. They will be in charge of the Alabama Conference Industrial School at Juniata, which opens Oct. 15. Their address will be Juniata, Ala.

The editor, feeling the need of a vacation, with his wife will visit among friends and relatives in the western part of the State for the next week or ten days. The important items at the office will receive prompt attention. Orders will be filled, and receipts for money sent. Any matters that can wait a few days can be postponed until his return if you so desire, which will be considered a favor.

OBITUARY NOTICES.

MAX WELL.—Died, Oct. 7, 1901, at Collamer, N. Y., Ellen Maxwell, in her fifty-fourth year. Sister Maxwell has been a Sabbath-keeper all her life, and for a number of years has been a faithful and respected member of the Syracuse church. Her last illness was long, and at times attended with much suffering, yet amid it all she was patient, and trusted fully in her Lord. A faithful husband and two daughters, and other relatives are left to mourn her death. A break has been made in the family circle which will never be united till the glad morning of the resurrection. But they sorrow in hope, expecting when Jesus comes to behold her immortal. The funeral service was held in the Methodist church at Collamer, and was one of the largest I ever attended. The writer, assisted by Eld. Whitney, set before them the Christian's hope. Text: 2 Cor. 1:3, 4. The interment took place in the beautiful cemetery by the side of the church, where she rests, awaiting the call of the Life Giver.

G. B. THOMPSON.