

SUPPLEMENT TO REVIEW and HERALD

Matt. 9:37, 38: "Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few; pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest."

BATTLE CREEK, MICH., TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 1898.

"I WILL give you the rain in your land in his due season, the first rain and the latter rain, that thou mayest gather in thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil."

God never places us in any position in which we cannot grow. We may fancy that he does. We may fear we are so impeded by fretting, petty cares that we are gaining nothing; but when we are not sending any branches upward, we may be sending roots downward. Perhaps in the time of our humiliation, when everything seems a failure, we are making the best kind of progress.

A LETTER just received from Elder F. L. Mead, district agent for District 1, states that he is now holding an institute at South Lancaster, Mass., with an attendance of 30. He reports progress in the canvassing work in the East.

THE STORY OF REDEMPTION.

IN our last issue we mentioned this book as forthcoming from the Pacific Press Pub. Co. It is now ready, and its publishers ask for it a share of our canvassers' attention.

It tells the story of redemption through Christ in a straightforward, attractive way, and is well illustrated. It contains 237 octavo pages, exclusive of four full-page color plates, and is bound in—

Cloth, colored edges.....	\$1.00
Cloth, aluminum title, gilt edges.....	1.25
Canvassing outfit.....	.60

READING RACKS.

RAILROAD depots and waiting-rooms are especially good locations for these racks. No matter how hurried a man may be, he *must wait* at places of this kind.

What better opportunity have we of offering him

the truth than by hanging up before him at such a time, a neat reading-rack filled with live discussions of up-to-date topics?

Select only such literature as you think will demand attention and arouse an interest, and then make it a subject of prayer at your missionary meetings. Don't forget to ask the Lord's blessing upon *every* effort made for the advancement of his cause, and then remember that "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase."

H. H. HALL.

A WORD FROM NEW ZEALAND.

"WE hope the Lord is still blessing the work in the *Signs* office. Have been glad to see that the circulation of the *Signs* is increasing. It ought to have a hundred thousand subscribers. If there were a few to take hold as Sister Owen has done at Dunedin, it would not take long to do it. She is now selling 720 *Bible Echoes* each week; and when we visited her she said that at times she was obliged to buy back papers to furnish those who were particularly anxious to get them. Our little paper will tell you more about her work. But her whole heart and soul are in it. She thinks *Echo*, prays *Echo*, and talks *Echo*, till it has become her life. Her heart seems to break over the people of that city; and it is heart-breaking to us that the work of a minister's going there must be delayed yet for a time. A few such workers as she would soon set in motion agencies that would warn the world and prepare it for the coming of the Lord.

"MRS. VESTA J. FARNSWORTH."

As we read the above from the pen of Sister Farnsworth, we wondered how many engaged in the work of the Lord in America are as devoted to the part the Lord has given them to perform as Sister Owen. Certainly there is as great need of zeal and devotion to the cause here as in foreign lands.

We believe there are many in the United States that

have a true conception of the times in which we are living, and are doing what they can to save the souls of those about them ; but we think we are safe in saying that there is no one that believes that *every one* who knows what the issues before us are is doing his utmost for the cause of the Master.

Sister Farnsworth has told us of the good work being done in Dunedin by one faithful worker with the *Bible Echo*. Are there not scores and hundreds in the cities of this country that are ready to do a similar work with the *Signs of the Times* ? In many places it has been demonstrated that such a work can be done. Who will take hold of this work ? The opportunity now offered is the most favorable that will ever present itself.

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A PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

I AM sure the Lord has led me to obey his holy word and to accept the last message of mercy to this world. Now that the Lord has been so good to me, I cannot help serving him, and consecrating my whole life and all my energies to his work.

As I longed to do something for Jesus, my mind was directed to the canvassing work ; but being so diffident, it was hard for me to enter a house ; but the Lord has helped me and given me power to overcome this. I began canvassing in the winter of '93, and have been at the work most of the time ever since. My prayer is, "Lord, give me power and wisdom from above, that I may represent the character of our Lord when he went about doing good."

I followed the plan of settling in one county and working it over several times. I can say that I like it very much. Several places where I could do nothing the first time over the territory, I have sold books in going over it the second time. People have become acquainted with me, and look forward to my visits.

Another good thing about the resident canvasser is that if people are interested, they will call and see him. About two weeks ago, a gentleman came here and inquired for me. I invited him in, and he said he had come to tell us that he could not resist the truth any longer, and wanted to obey God and keep the Sabbath with us. He has now been here three Sabbaths. Two of his ministers have been after him to come back to his old church ; but he loves the truth and clings to the word of God as the sure foundation.

Another man, living near us, has become interested in the truth and has bought "Bible Readings." Thus

the good work goes on, and I am glad to have a part in it. I think the canvassing work is the most blessed work for me, because the blessing of the Lord and power from on high are attending the faithful efforts of the true canvasser. May the Lord help all his workers to carry the message in such a way that we may all hear the "well done" at last.

Your brother,

J. W. DOERING.

CANVASSING IN MISSISSIPPI.

THE canvassing work in this State is very encouraging. I have canvassed only a few weeks and made one delivery. The Lord blessed me very much both in taking orders and delivering. Before coming to this State I used to ask God to come in *with me* into the homes of the people. I have, however, changed the wording of my prayer. Now it is, "O Lord, permit me to come in with thee !" I see so much clearer that if we let God do the work through his Spirit in us, there is a conviction in the hearts of the people that no amount of words on our part could ever produce. To *convict* is the work of the Holy Spirit, so that as it convinces the people of their needs, the Spirit of God in us, is *the secret of our success*.

I pray continually for that help from God. I cannot succeed without entire dependence upon him. I am so happy in my Saviour.

I delivered 92 books in 10 days, and at the same time took 60 orders.

I am told that I am canvassing the poorest part of the State. I spend much of my time early mornings and evenings in seeking to find such as are at the railway depots, hotels, boarding houses, etc. I am blessed in pointing such to Christ. Some I visited in their homes and prayed with are being healed by trusting in God.

E. P. AUGER.

Corinth, Miss., Feb. 15, 1898.

THE CANVASSING WORK.

THIS work is indeed the Lord's work ; and although I have been engaged in this work but a short time, I have received greater blessings, and gained more experiences in my Christian life, than ever before.

A canvasser has the privilege of finding those who are hungering and thirsting for righteousness, but know not where to find it ; many of these would never learn of the truth were it not for the canvassers.

We can cheer the downhearted, pray for, and quote

Scripture to, those who are prejudiced, and to the dear little children we can talk of the everlasting love of Him who said: "Of such is the kingdom of heaven." I have found it a good plan to get them interested in the books, as after they are interested, they do not very often give up until they or their mother have signed for the book. I have seen them take their last money in their bank to pay for a book.

Then there are the aged. What is a greater privilege than to sit down and talk to these poor souls who have lived all their life without a personal Saviour? Many of these have told me I have been sent by the Lord to them, as they had been praying for some one to come and tell them the way of salvation; and although I am not as familiar with the Scriptures as I would like to be, I have seen their faces light up with joy as I have talked of God's love to them. I know that divine aid has been sent me.

The first day I canvassed, I came to the house of a lady who told me she had been praying to God to send her some one, and she said she felt sure that her prayers had been answered, and we had many precious seasons together. I read to her out of the Bible and "Steps to Christ," and how much good it did me, too, to come into a house where I was permitted to kneel to God in prayer. She could not read, as her eyesight failed her; but I went there several times, and the tears trickled down her aged face as she listened with eagerness to every word I read.

Let many take hold of this work. It is the Master's work, and the most blessed work one can be engaged in at this time, and reader, if the Lord impresses your mind to take up this work, do not delay, but obey.

There is no earthly gain in the canvassing work; but, praise the Lord, there is something better than that, heavenly riches are in store for those who faithfully use the talents that God has given them to use here.

JULIA A. JOHNSON.

Minneapolis, Minn.

ARE WE GIVING THE MESSAGE?

"THE third angel's message will do its work. All are to be tested by it, and the precious ones are to be called out from the religious bodies. I saw that the third angel's message will be closed with power and strength far exceeding the midnight cry."—*Early Writings.*"

Do we believe it? Are we giving the third angel's message? Are we near the close of it? If so,

should we not be doing all in our power to co-operate with the angels in giving the last message to the world? But how did the midnight cry go with such power. Was it not because those who professed to believe in the soon coming of Christ were willing to be worked by the Holy Spirit? Listen! The testimonies which seemed to point to the coming of Christ in the spring of 1844, took deep hold on the minds of the people. As the message went from State to State, there was everywhere awakened wide-spread interest.

"Some ministers laid aside their sectarian views and feelings, left their salaries and churches, and united in proclaiming the coming of Jesus. There were comparatively few ministers, however, who would receive this message, therefore it was largely committed to humble laymen. Farmers left their fields, mechanics their tools, traders their merchandise, professional men their positions. . . . The condition of an ungodly church and a world lying in wickedness, burdened the souls of the true watchmen, and they willingly endured toil and privation and suffering that they might call men to repentance unto salvation." — *"Great Controversy."*

"The Advent movement of 1840-1844 was a glorious manifestation of the power of God. The first angel's message was carried to every missionary station in the world, and in some countries there was the greatest religious interest which has been witnessed in any land since the Reformation of the sixteenth century; but these are to be far exceeded by the movements under the last warning of the third angel." — *"Great Controversy."*

"As the time comes for the third message to be given with power, the Lord will work through humble instruments, leading the minds of those who consecrate themselves to his service. The laborers will be qualified rather by the unction of the Spirit than by the training of literary institutions. Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them." — *"Great Controversy."*

Brethren, it is our privilege to be worked by the Spirit of God and fulfil these things which God says will come to pass. Or we can, like Israel of old, slight our opportunities and thus compel God to leave us to wander in the wilderness of darkness, while he raises up others to take our places and enjoy the pleasures which it is our privilege to enjoy. Let us do as he tells us, "every man to his work, each to do his best."—*M. C. Kirkendall, in the Welcome Visitor, March 3, 1898.*

CONSECRATED LABORERS NEEDED.

"THE harvest truly is plenteous ; but the laborers are few." Matt. 9:37. More than eighteen hundred years ago, these words fell from the lips of our Saviour as he was speaking to his disciples. The circumstance which called forth these words was the sight of the multitudes coming to him. He had been teaching the people, giving them the words of life, and healing their sick, thus bringing cheer and sunshine into their homes and lives.

But what kind of harvest is here meant ? Was it an earthly earvest ? To answer this question let me again ask : What was the nature of the work Jesus was engaged in ? Unless otherwise specified, the harvest referred to meant the harvest of the fruit of his work. Jesus says again : "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." John 10:10. Again he says, "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." John 6:63. Then the reception of his words in the heart is that which brings life — the harvest to which he referred. The harvest then must be that of souls, and the work which ripens the grain for that harvest is the taking of the words of Jesus and giving them to the people. This thought is again expressed by Jesus, as recorded in Matt. 28:19, 20 : "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, . . . teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

If it is true that the harvest was ripe more than eighteen hundred years ago, what should be its condition to-day ? Certainly that long period of time has done much toward ripening the grain, — fitting it for the gathering in, those precious souls for whom he died, — his jewels. Do we see any signs of the approaching harvest ? I believe we can.

But Jesus says : "the laborers are few ! If this be true, and it is, because it is the word of Jesus himself, then is it not all the more important that those few work the more diligently, to finish that which he has for them to do ? But why this scarcity of laborers ? Is it because there are not a large enough number in the world who have sufficient talent to engage in the work ? Certainly not. Jesus says : "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit ; so shall ye be my disciples." John 15:7, 8. If we are disciples we will be learning and doing that which our Master did.

While engaged in the canvassing work for several weeks past, I have been surprised to see so many who seem to be earnestly seeking for light. As I have tried to urge upon them the importance of giving attention to the study of the Word, and those things which will lead them to a better knowledge of God and a closer connection with him, I am often told that they love the study of their Bible, and give all their spare time to its study in preference to other religious works. Several have told me they were praying for light, and they would be glad to receive it from any source. One minister — and I had no reason to doubt his sincerity — confessed to me that he had been a bitter opposer to Seventh-day Adventists, but that he felt different now. He said he often studied his Bible on his knees before God, asking him to reveal to his own understanding its true meaning. Others, as soon as they learn that the books are published by Seventh-day Adventists, ask for the reasons of some certain point or points of our faith, saying they would really like to know why we believe and do as we do. If we go forth with our hearts all aglow with a spirit of love for Jesus, who has done so much for us, this same spirit will surely show itself in our lives, and this same principle, which God has implanted in other hearts, will be drawn out by it, and be encouraged ; and your own souls also will be watered, and God will be glorified and honored thereby. Shall we not pray that the Holy Spirit may bring the light and power of the gospel to these seekers for truth, that they may be brought into the fold of Christ ?

At the same time Jesus told his disciples, "the laborers are few," he also said : "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth laborers into his harvest." Was this given simply to those disciples with him at that time ? — No ; for if it was, it would not have been written. Paul says : "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable : . . . that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." 2 Tim. 3:16, 17. This means you and me, and every true disciple of Christ. Can we really pray for God to send forth laborers into his harvest, without a complete surrender to him, and a willingness to engage in the work ? One is called to do one thing, and another to do something else ; yet it is true that God has a work for each one to do. If the earnest prayer of every heart was that God would send laborers into his harvest, what a mighty cry that would be ! And how soon would be the gathering in of God's precious ones, because of the abundance of laborers !

B. H. WELCH.

WE quote the following from a letter received from a gentleman in Indiana, believing it will be of interest to our readers:—

“I have received the books all right. I am very well pleased with them. I also received your catalogue. I am on duty to-night, as watchman, and I will just say that all the reading of other publications does not begin to come up with yours. I have the first objections to find. ‘Modern Spiritualism’ is all I expected of it, and more. Brother Smith understands his business, surely. ‘Due Process of Law’ is a splendid work, too. Brother A. T. Jones understands how to handle Judge Hammond’s decision. I would not like to make a blunder like his purposely, and have Brother A. T. Jones air it as he has aired Judge Hammond’s. I heartily agree with all the Seventh-day Adventist publications that I have any acquaintance with, or that I have read.

“I would like to have a talk with one of the seventh-day brothers. I never spoke to one that I know of in my life, so you see it cannot be laid to your charge that you persuaded me to leave the First-day observers. I am satisfied that it is the Spirit of God that has led me this way.

“I expect to stay with the Bible if it takes me into the fire; for I know it will, or God will, bring me out again without the smell of fire on my garments. Praise the Lord! I expect it to face me in the Judgment. If I do not walk according to its teachings, it will condemn me; and if I follow its teachings, it will pass me through the pearly gates into the City; for it is written, ‘Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.’ Rev. 22:14.”

TO THE CANVASSERS.

I WANT to say a few words in regard to the canvassing work. First, I want to speak to those already in the field: I hope you have entered to stay, and your constantly engaging in the work will be a continuous lesson for others; and there is a scripture which is not very encouraging for those who take hold of the plow and look back. Look it up for yourselves; you will find it in Luke 9:62, and there is none of us who want to come short of the kingdom.

If we succeeded when we entered the work, certainly we ought to succeed now with our past experience. Let us not be like the bee, the largest when first hatched; but grow in grace and knowledge, and do better work all the time.

Now to those who have done something in the past but have become discouraged: Let us plan to re-enter the field and not let any side helps crowd us out of the work. Satan likes to insert these little wedges gradually, and ere we are aware of it, he has a wide opening, and all kinds of business come in, and there is no room for the Lord’s work. There are plenty of people to do this kind of work, and the words of our Saviour, “Let the dead bury their dead,” are good instruction for us to heed.

Now to those who are contemplating entering the field: Plan to do this at no distant date. “Procrastination is the thief of time,” and let it not rob you of eternal bliss.

The Judgment alone can reveal the good you may do, and if faithful, God will permit you to see fruits enough here to make you happy. I received a letter from a canvasser who sold one book that brought more than a score into the truth; and this same worker once told me if he could point to one soul in the truth, brought in through his influence, he should be satisfied; and this was said after years of experience. But in doing this work, he is casting bread upon the waters, to gather it after many days.

D. A. BALL.

KANSAS INSTITUTE.

THE Canvassers’ Institute for Kansas was held according to appointment, at Topeka, with about forty in attendance. It was preceded by a Workers’ Institute, conducted by Elders Kilgore and Ballenger and Brother W. S. Sadler. This was the best meeting we ever had in the State. A great and good work was done; and it was queried how the interest would be with those who remained to attend the Canvassers’ Institute, after the Bible workers, ministers, and noted persons mentioned above had gone. But, thank the Lord, the good work begun, kept right on through our institute, and it was pronounced the best institute ever held in the State. Those in attendance took hold, studied hard, and advanced rapidly.

We had only one session a day, beginning at 8:45 A. M., and closing at 1 P. M., with two short intervals. The rest of the day and evening was devoted to study and practical work, such as canvassing for small books, *Signs*, and *Good Health*, holding cottage meetings, and doing Christian Help work.

We liked the plan well. Our time together was spent in reciting lessons that had been studied. Thus we had a better interest, and more was accomplished in the same length of time than otherwise would have

been. And the practical work gave them an outdoor experience, and a good experience, too.

The outlook for the canvassing work in Kansas is good; although the conference drew heavily from those attending the institute to supply workers for other branches of the work. But this is nothing new; and we are glad to have such earnest, consecrated canvassers, that we can fill these places when we are called upon to do so.

S. C. OSBORNE,

District Agent.

MISSIONARY WORK—WHAT IS IT, AND WHO SHOULD ENGAGE IN IT?

MISSIONARY work is God's means of reaching those who have fallen into the temptations of the arch-enemy of all righteousness.

The Father and Son set forth the principle of missionary work when Lucifer and his followers were sowing the seeds of discontent among the heavenly host who remained loyal to God.

A council was called, to which all were summoned; and the Father set before them the holy, unchanging nature of his law, and the dire results of disobedience. They were created free moral agents, with the power of choice. When they failed, God did not immediately destroy them, but allowed sin fully to develop, that all might have an opportunity of beholding his character of love.

When man, the crowning work of creation, failed, we hear the voice of a compassionate God calling him. He had been warned of this enemy, who was successful in accomplishing his ruin. When overcome, God did not leave him in his helpless condition, but extended to him another opportunity, opening to his mind the great plan of salvation.

In all ages since sin has been making its inroads on the human family, God has been sending his messages of love and mercy by the hand of his servants to those who are in darkness. We have this assurance from the "high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity:" "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets."

Whenever an important event is to take place, he raises up men to go forth and proclaim the matter to the people. We have many examples of this in both the Old and New Testaments: the preaching of righteous Noah to the antediluvians; warning given to the people of Sodom by the heavenly messengers; Jonah sent to warn the people of Nineveh; John the Baptist to prepare the way for the first coming of Christ; and the record is that "God so loved the world, that he

gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

God created man upright, without any bias toward sin, providing him with a home in the garden of Eden, where grew luscious fruits and beautiful flowers, with the tree of life, and the river of life flowing through the garden. What a home for man, surrounded by all the creatures God had made and given him dominion over! What an expression of infinite love! Yet man voluntarily exchanged all these blessings for a life of sin, and in the end, death. Had man remained loyal to God, the blessings so freely bestowed upon him would have been his to enjoy forever.

But Jesus, the only begotten Son of God, beholds man in his fallen, helpless, lost condition. The broken law of God demanded the life of the sinner, and it is here that the greatest missionary who has ever worked in behalf of the fallen race comes forth with the motives that should prompt every missionary that goes out to seek and save the lost.

He offers his life as a ransom for mankind. Can we to whom he has unfolded the greatest message that has ever been proclaimed to the world do less than offer our lives in his service, and become co-workers with him in the wonderful plan that has been devised for the redemption of the human family?

All whose hearts have been touched by the constant love expressed by the Father and Son, should be engaged in missionary work. No matter what the condition; God's love is unchanging, and the farther we go astray the more loudly he calls. O, can we not hear his pleading voice calling us to engage in the great work of giving the last message of mercy offered to a dying world? Soon it will be too late; and then there will be no opportunity to engage in the work that many are now slighting. There is soon to be a famine, not for the common necessities of life, but for the word of the Lord.

Are souls going down to perdition because you and I, dear reader, are not giving them a knowledge of the precious truth that God has so graciously unfolded to us? This is a question which we shall have to meet in the last great day, and how shall we stand in the judgment?

E. P. BOGGS.

A LAWYER in Indiana, who is interested in the circulation of literature upon the Sabbath question, says, "I am going to quit the law business, and expect to handle your publications the coming summer, if satisfactory arrangements can be made. . . . I expect to resign the prosecutorship in a few days, and commence preparing myself for the ministry."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 1898.

	STATE.	No. Can- vass'rs	No. Report ing.	Days.	Hours.	Orders Taken.	Value.	Miscel. Sales.	Total Value.	BOOKS DELIVERED.	
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Dist. No. 1.	Atlantic.....										
	Maine.....										
	Maritime Prov.										
	New England.....										
	New York.....										
	Pennsylvania										
	Quebec.....										
	Virginia.....										
No. 2.	Vermont.....										
	West Virginia.....										
	Alabama.....	5	1		26			11 85	11 85		
	Kentucky.....	7	5		154	13	30 00	20 50	50 50	5	10 00
	Florida.....		12			384	336 30	11 90	348 25	86	58 05
	Georgia.....	4	4		208	30	74 60	37 12	111 72	2	4 50
	Louisiana.....	3	2		108	24	52 75	4 50	57 25	22	42 05
	Mississippi.....	2	2	3	41	8	14 50	63 71	78 21		
No. 3.	North Carolina.....	3	3		261	61	105 50	16 50	122 00	16	16 50
	South Carolina.....	2	2		73	30	46 75	7 25	54 00	7	14 00
	Tennessee.....			37	282	81	169 25	17 75	187 05	42	84 50
	Indiana.....	19	19		449	409	212 90		212 90	459	269 90
	Illinois.....	12					567 90	47 00	614 90	245	553 35
	*Michigan.....	50	30	210	1,051	369	507 25	72 30	579 55		
	Ohio.....										
	Ontario.....										
No. 4.	Dakotas.....										
	Iowa.....										
	Manitoba.....										
	Minnesota.....										
	Nebraska.....	15			799	216	437 65	102 45	540 10	75	75 00
No. 5.	Wisconsin.....		20	155	915	403	340 55	87 70	428 25		
	†Arkansas.....	6	6		1,397	334	463 30	102 55	565 85	511	1,259 25
	Oklahoma and Indian Ter.										
	Kansas.....										
	Missouri.....										
No. 6.	Texas.....										
	Colorado.....										
	California.....		9			219	360 95	26 60	387 55	59	32 75
	North Pacific.....										
	Upper Col'mbia.....										
No. 7.	Montana.....										
	Australia.....										
	New Zealand.....										
	Great Britain.....										
	†Central Europe.....	24	17			386	750 10				
No. 8.	Germany.....	48	48	1,465	9,513	244	215 79	2,119 92	2,335 71	241	238 02
	Norway.....										
	Denmark.....	21		278	2,028	1,191	773 69	45 84	819 53		
	Sweden.....										
	South Africa.....										
Miscel's	South America.....										
	Jamaica.....										
	Bahamas.....										
	Brazil.....										
Totals.....		221	180	2,148	17,305	4,402	\$5,459 73	\$2,995 44	\$7,505 17	1,770	\$2,657 87

* Report for three weeks.

† Report for three months.

‡ Report for January.

|| Two months.

NEBRASKA INSTITUTE.

FROM a personal letter from Brother Frank Jencks, state agent of Nebraska, we quote the following :—

Our Institute is getting along finely. We have an enrolment of thirty-seven ; but some are from other States, and several are students who expect to stay in school until June ; though we expect that about half of them will go right out into the work as soon as the institute closes.

We have one class in "Prophecies," one class in "The Coming King," and all devote one hour each day to Bible study in connection with the Testimonies. Brother Sherrig's instructions are indeed meat in due season. Deep heart-searching and the putting away of every sin preparatory to receiving the Holy Spirit seems to be the message ; and in our canvassers' social meeting held Sabbath afternoon many precious victories were reported ; and a general feeling of increased faith and hope and courage was expressed. The tender melting Spirit of the Lord was manifestly present ; and as we sought the Lord together, a feeling of love and sympathy came in.

THE WORK IN CHILE.

I HAVE been here at Valparaiso with Brother Baber about three weeks, and am going through the town with "Patriarchs and Prophets" and "Great Controversy." Times are very hard in Chile this last year ; so to make the canvassing effective, I pray much so as to have success in the work. There is some inquiry now about the truth from persons who bought books here about two years ago ; so even in this town work has not been done in vain, and I think soon the work will be established here also. On going over the ground twice there are some advantages to be had. The same person going over the same field two, three, or four times, will always find interest among his old subscribers, and will always meet new people who will be interested. This will be true of an honest worker. In Santiago one of the leaders of the Young Men's Christian Association has taken from me in the last two years six of our subscription books, besides small books ; and I am sure if I go with another he will subscribe. Last week here at Valparaiso, I found a young man who had bought of me "Great Controversy" and "Patriarchs and Prophets," and he gave me another order.

As soon as I finish here, about the first of March, my intention is to go to Coquimbo for a month or a little more, with English and Spanish books. As more books are coming out all the time in the Spanish language, we will soon be able to devote more time to the Spanish-speaking people. I am determined to stay with the work until the end ; although it goes hard sometimes, the reward is sure.

T. H. DAVIS.

"THE EASTERN QUESTION."

WE have received a great many letters at this office from different ones who are interested in "The Eastern Question," and desire to see it have a large circulation ; but some have feared that perhaps the book could not be sold as easily as some others. The following taken from a letter just received from an agent working for this book in South Dakota, shows that the book can be sold :—

There is a man canvassing for "The Eastern Question" in ——. He has only put in three days, and has taken twenty-four orders. How is that for work ? He is a man that has been used to putting in ten hours a day, when he works at his trade, and he says he is willing to put in that much time when he canvasses. This man has had no instruction concerning the canvassing work.

If any of our people have felt backward about taking hold of the sale of this book, fearing that they would make a failure, we would suggest that they delay no longer, but begin preparations at once.

INDIA.

IT is estimated that there are from three to five million English-speaking people in India. This affords quite a large field for our canvassers. Brother Ellery Robinson, who is in charge of the canvassing work there, has just sent to the Foreign Mission Board a very encouraging report, from which we quote as follows :—

In looking up the account of my actual sales for the past year, I find that I have taken and put into the hands of the India Mission 8,978 rupees and 12 annas (\$2,693.76). The book sales for the past year represent some eight hundred copies of our health and religious books, scattered among the people like bread upon the waters, to return after many days. I have worked steadily day after day to accomplish this, and success has crowned my efforts. To God be all the praise, for he has demonstrated the fact before our eyes that books can be sold in India.

Brother Robinson makes a very earnest appeal for a number of experienced and faithful workers to be sent to India to engage in the sale of our publications. There are like calls coming to us from all the foreign fields, and it is quite a question to know where the laborers are coming from. We hope our brethren and sisters in this country will pray the Lord of the harvest to raise up laborers for his vineyard, and as you pray, ask, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do ?" We hope that hundreds of our people will be led to take up the canvassing work this year.