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Evangelical.

A Free Gospel.

"I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." The gospel was taught by patriarch, prophet and apostle. It is the same gospel wherever and by whomsoever taught. It is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth.

"To as many as received him, to them gave he power to become sons of God, even to as many as believed on his name," and that is equivalent to saying to as many as received him to them, gave he the privilege of becoming the sons of God.

"This is the condemnation, that light is come into the world and men love darkness rather than light, because their deeds are evil." The Light has come into the world, and he is without excuse who does not walk therein.

Man can yield himself to God; otherwise there would be no con-

demnation for not submitting. "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey?" This shows that whether men are servants of God or servants to sin, they yield themselves to be servants. The Lord has taken away every excuse and left man without excuse. "If I had not come and spoken to them, they had not had sin." "When we were without strength Christ in due time died for the ungodly." Every man has a chance for eternal life. "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely." The allwise father is willing that all men should come to the knowledge of the truth and be saved. He is not only willing that this should be so but has made manifest this willingness in giving up his only Son, Christ, who came into the world that the world through him might be saved.

A. G. HAUGHEY.

The Better Way.

In no better way can we manifest our interest in the progress of this world-wide message than by supporting it. And this can be done more effectually by the weekly offering than by waiting to make one large gift at the end of the year. As a rule those who give weekly find themselves able to give more than they dared think of doing when all was given at one time. The interest rises with the gifts, and the prayers always accompany the intelligent interest. Try it. The year 1904 should close with the best record for mission work in this denomination. We are nearing the end, and our work must be done quickly. More workers must be sent out. Old fields must be strengthened and enlarged, and unentered fields must not be neglected longer. What do we say? Now

is the time to begin to give, if 1904 is to be the banner year for missions in your experience. He who is able to supply all your needs will open ways for you to earn money for his cause which you least expected. And you will have the blessed privilege of sharing in the reward with the workers at the front, when the Master comes. The joy of giving the gospel to the benighted souls of heathen lands is alone worth all the sacrifice our giving may cost.

ESTELLA HOUSER.

A Most Successful Way of Saving Souls.

My brethren and sisters, remember that one day you will stand before the Lord of all the earth, to give answer for the deeds done in the body. Then your work will appear as it really is. The vineyard is large, and the Lord is calling for laborers. Do not allow anything to keep you from the work of soul-saving. The canvassing work is a most successful way of saving souls. Will you not try it? Will you not do what you can to circulate the books that the Lord has said should be sown broadcast through the world? Will you not place them in the homes of as many as possible? Think of how great a work can be done if a large number of believers will unite in an effort to place before the people, by the circulation of these books, the light that the Lord has committed to us to be given them.

E. G. WHITE.

"Everybody wants to die nobly, but it is far better to live nobly. Dying is momentary, living continuous. The manner of living is largely under our control; the manner of dying is generally beyond it. Let us live right day by day and leave the close of life with Him who doeth all things well."

Educational.

An Opportunity For An Education.

Do you want an education? If so, the Cedar Lake Industrial Academy has something valuable to offer you. At a recent meeting of the Executive Board of this institution, it was decided to continue the school through the spring and summer months. The present term closes March 30, and the spring term will open April 5, and close June 28. This will give a term of twelve full weeks. The summer term will begin July 5, and close Sept. 28.

During the spring term the following subjects are offered: reading, writing, spelling, arithmetic, grammar, rhetoric, U. S. History, stenography, typewriting, book-keeping, instrumental music (organ and piano,) Old and New Testament Bible, theoretical and practical work in agriculture, nature study, elementary physics, physiology.

As soon as spring opens there will be an abundance of work for students who desire to meet a portion of their expenses in that way. Besides the regular farm work, we have contracted for ten acres of sugar beets, which will furnish considerable labor for the right people.

We are also planning to pull the stumps on ten acres this summer. After the close of the winter term the domestic work of the dormitory will be done altogether by the lady students. This will enable the girls to get their schooling at small cash outlay, besides obtaining the benefit which comes as the result of regular, systematic labor.

If you are interested in this proposition, please write to the undersigned at once. The sooner arrangements are made, the better are your chances for securing desirable advantages. Please state your age, experience in work, the extent of your education, how long you desire to remain in school, amount of money you can pay per month

and any other items that will enable us to form a correct judgment of your plans and powers.

S. M. BUTLER,
Cedar Lake, Mich.,
care Academy.

Doctor Paulson's Instruction To Students.

Doctor Paulson always receives a hearty welcome from the students of Emmanuel Missionary College. He says that he comes to get a fresh inspiration for his own work. We hope he gets it. We know that he leaves with us a strong desire to do more for the Master than ever before. In talking to us the other day, he said,

"Students are much like Rachel on her way from Haran to the land of Canaan. They often carry with them some of their father's gods. Do you know there are some things which our fathers did which it is not right for us to do? We cannot make progress until we bury some of our gods. Our appetites stand in the way. We dress like the world. These are some of our gods."

"It is always an inspiration to me to read the experience of Jonathan as it is recorded in the fourteenth chapter of First Samuel. You remember that the Philistines' army was pitched against the children of Israel. The whole nation was in danger. Jonathan caught the spirit of work. He knew that something must be done. He did not dare to tell his father for fear his father would discourage him. He knew that the thought in his mind to do came from God. He went out with only his armor bearer. God gave him the victory. When you get a thought from God, do not wait too long to talk it over with others."

"I once knew a girl, one of our brightest and most promising nurses, who left school because she did not like her room. That is a little thing for a person to become discouraged over. When God has a work for us to do, we should be willing to put up with some inconveniences."

"I knew another girl who gave up her work because she felt that the Lord had given her ability in music, and an opportunity was offered her as she thought to improve that talent. It is true that in order to take music lessons she had to compromise with principles, but she thought the compromise was a small matter. I talked with her and tried to show her that if the Lord called her to be a nurse, he had put everything in her program which it was good for her to have. That if she needed a musical education, in some way or other God had provided for that. It would not be necessary for her to give up the work to which she knew the Lord had called her in order to get anything else that would be for her best good. But that girl could not see it as I presented it. She gave up her work, went into a family where the Christian influence was not strong, and I lost sight of her for a long while. Years after when I was in the West, a woman came to me and asked me if I would be willing to give a quarter to help a poor woman whose trunk was held for room rent. I inquired into the matter. It was that same promising nurse. She was dying a slow death. She was in poverty. If she had stayed in the Lord's work, how much different might have been her experience."

M. BESSIE DEGRAW.

Don't allow yourselves to become faint hearted. You can do more and better than you think. When Farrel laid hold upon John Calvin and endeavored to enlist him in the Reformation, Calvin begged to be excused. Said he, "I am naturally very timid. How can I withstand such roaring waves. I beg you in God's name to have pity upon me." Yet that same Calvin afterward shook all Europe with his manly boldness for God and the right.

Are we willing to put forth such efforts to save our fellow men as Christ made for our salvation?

Medical.

How God Works.

For two weeks I have been nursing a very interesting case of pneumonia. The patient is a beautiful babe only four months old. The family live neighbor to one of our sisters, and for over a week this sister had been trying to persuade them to send for Doctor Bourdeau and myself, but they knew nothing of hyriatic treatments and were afraid to try them. They had three physicians for the case, and on Wednesday night, after consultation, the physicians in charge said they could do nothing more for the child. It was not until then that they consented to send for us—as a last resort. The father who came for us said he did not think the child would be living by the time we would reach the house. We arrived there at 9:30 Thursday morning, and found that it was indeed a serious case. The babe had not slept since the day before at two o'clock, and was being quieted by very strong medicines; five different kinds being given. He had a temperature of over 105° and the pulse was so weak and rapid it was impossible to count it. After the Doctor had examined him she found the case to be double pneumonia, with a fast and superfivial respiration.

The first thing was to remove the child's clothing which was saturated with oils and the odor of onion poultices which had been used during the night, and no doubt had been the means of saving his life until morning. I then wrapped him in a blanket and put him in a crib, instead of the cab which he had been occupying, and began treatment. I first gave him a cooling enema, and then a leg pack, and at the same time fomentations to the chest, with ice over the heart to slow its action; after this a sponge bath. On taking his temperature it was found to be reduced to 104°. The fomentations with ice to the heart, and the leg

pack were repeated every two hours. After each treatment the patient was sponged with water at about 90°. During the time intervening between the treatments he wore the cool chest pack. The cool enema was repeated every four hours. At two o'clock the child fell asleep for fifteen minutes, the first in twenty-four hours. After giving him the next treatment he slept half an hour, and when I took his temperature it was found to be only 103°, and his pulse was getting slower and stronger. I worked over him faithfully all that night, the next day, and the night following, sleeping only about two hours during that time, but was so interested in the case, and so thankful that the Lord was answering prayers that this service did not seem a hardship. Besides having pneumonia the child's neck, chest, and back of head were covered with boils.

I am glad to say that now the little fellow is practically well, with the exception of a few boils which are not quite healed. The father and mother are very grateful, and are thoroughly converted to rational treatments, and say they will never use any other. I was in the family a little over two weeks, and during that time did what I could to help them. They are quite interested in the word of God, are members of the Congregational church, and I think good Christian people.

On Friday evening I told them I knew it was only through the power of God that their child had been spared to them, that had he not blessed our work it would have availed nothing. I then asked them if they did not think we ought to thank him for what he had done. They both said they could not pray, that they had never prayed aloud, and asked that I pray for them. After reading the 107 Psalm I asked them if they did not believe it pleased God to have us praise him with our voices which he had given us to use to his glory, as well as to

praise him in our hearts. They both said they did, but that they could not pray aloud; but after I had prayed, the mother, for the first time in her life, lifted her voice tremblingly to God and thanked him for what he had done. She was very much touched as was the father. I believe their hearts are open to receive the truth.

Last Sabbath afternoon they both heard Elder Warren speak at our church, and were so interested that they were anxious to go again, which they did the next evening. I am giving them reading matter and trying to improve each opportunity to speak for the truth. I am so thankful for God's blessings, and for the privilege of being a co-worker with him. My desire is to be ready to meet him when he comes, bringing some sheaves with me.

T. CAROLYN LEMONS,
Grand Rapids.

Publication.

Testimony Volume Eight.

I have just had the opportunity of examining some of the advance proofs of Testimony Vol. 8, and have been particularly impressed with the timeliness and importance of Section V, in which the following chapters appear under the general heading of "The Essential Knowledge:"

God in Nature.

A personal God.

A False and a True Knowledge of God.

Danger in Speculative Knowledge.

The False and True in education.

Importance of Seeking True Knowledge.

The Knowledge Received Through God's Word.

Our Great Need.

If one Testimony can be more important than another, it seems to me that Vol. 8 must be that one. It will contain 350 pages and will sell for 75 cents in cloth, and \$1.25 in limp leather. It will be ready early in March.

H. H. HALL.

News and Notes.

—D. W. Reavis made a call at this office last week on business.

—Elder Haughey expects to meet with the church at Kalamazoo Sabbath, February 27.

—Elder I. D. VanHorn has been seriously ill for several weeks past, but we are glad to state he is now convalescent.

—The Conference Committee will meet in Otsego Thursday, February 25, to consider important matters relative to the work of the Conference.

—W. H. Edwards, the Lake Union Conference Auditor, spent several days in Otsego last week auditing the accounts of the West Michigan Conference.

—Professor Crawford left Cedar Lake last week to connect with the Berrien Springs school. His work has been taken up by the principal and Miss Mary Lamson.

—You may easily communicate with this office by calling Long Distance Bell Phone No. 29; and with Elder A. G. Haughey at Plainwell, Bell Phone No. 72.

—The Educational Department has a number of the Miller Readers for the Second and Third grade work left yet. Sent postpaid for twenty-five cents in stamps.

—Miss Essie Barber, who is both an experienced nurse and city worker, is assisting in the teaching of the special class at Berrien Springs, and acting as a mother to the girls.

—Brother Jay Doty of Six Lakes has sold his blacksmith shop, and enters the canvassing work this week. He will handle "Great Controversy." Are there not many others who could go and do likewise?

—The dedication of the new school building, which was postponed from the 16th of February, will be held March 1st. Several new classes will be formed and all the children are eager for the day to arrive.

—Sixty-one more candidates were baptized last Sunday evening in the tabernacle, Battle Creek. This makes a total of two hundred seventeen in two months with more waiting. Verily, God is good. While the general meetings have closed the "revival" is still going on.

—At the meeting of the Conference Committee, February 2 at Kalamazoo, it was voted to reconsider the action of the Committee taken in its meeting of January 14, assigning Elder W. C. Hebner to the work in District 3, and to recommend that he move to Muskegon, and take charge of the work in District 5.

The manual on Young People's Work is about ready. It is costing more than at first anticipated, and if sent out in single copies will cost three two-cent stamps. If several order together, they will be sent out at five cents each. Every person in the Conference should have a copy. Address J. Grant Lamson, Battle Creek, Mich.

—The Church Training School at Battle Creek has an enrollment of one hundred fifty. Classes are held Monday and Wednesday evenings from seven to nine. The first hour is devoted to a general Bible study conducted by different ministers. At eight o'clock the class divides, Elder Jones conducting the special drill class for Bible workers and Ministers and Dr. Otis taking the class in Hydrotherapy. Later a class will be formed in simple treatments.

At the meeting of the Conference Committee February 3, in the adjustment of the work in the Educational Department it was thought best, under the existing circumstances, that the Superintendent of this department, and the Corresponding Secretary have definite lines assigned to them, inasmuch as they will necessarily be separated for some months, it was therefore,

Moved, That Mrs. Hattie E. Allee, in addition to editing the "West Michigan Herald," be asked to take the responsibility of the Sabbath School work.

Moved, That J. G. Lamson, in addition to his work as Principal of the Battle Creek Church School have charge of the Church School and the Young People's work in the Conference.

The Conference Committee recently

Voted, That to the Educational Department of the Conference be assigned the work of raising \$1500 for a camp-meeting fund.

Voted, That the Educational Department also be requested to raise \$500 for the Cedar Lake Academy.

Voted, That the President of the Conference take a special supervision of the districts of the Conference which at any time or for any reason are without an appointed director.

Sad Death at Battle Creek

Vera, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smith, died at the home of her parents, 74 N. Kendall St., Thursday evening, Feb. 11, 1904. Her death resulted from injuries received in a coasting accident the Tuesday evening before.

Funeral services were held at the house Sabbath morning at 10 o'clock. Words of comfort and consolation were spoken by Prof. Lamson and Elder H. Nicola. Her class mates attended in a body and left a beautiful floral piece as a token of their esteem and love. Many other beautiful flowers attested to the love of sympathizing friends. The body accompanied by the bereaved parents was taken to Bloomingdale for burial.

Her sad death and the circumstances attending it, came to all with a profound shock. She was a member of our Church school, and greatly loved by all who knew her. During the late revival here in this place, she gave her heart to the Lord, and at the time of her death was a candidate for baptism.

It will ever be a pleasant memory and a source of help to us, who were directly associated with her in the school room, to recall the earnest testimonies given by her, in the presence of teacher and classmates, in which she desired to be ever counted as a soldier of the Lord; to be found upon His side in the great battle of life. Why she was removed thus early, we do not know, but in the words of the song, rendered so beautifully by a quartette of voices, we have this assurance, "Sometime we'll understand."

FRANCES L. CASE, Teacher.