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# GLEANER

“Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.”

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## THE VICTOR.

It is not he who proudly stands  
Upon the heights of mountain lands,  
And waves his stainless banner where  
The world can see the pennon fair.

It is not he who seeks to stay  
At shrines of worship all the day,  
And then goes to his peaceful rest  
With head upon the Master's breast.

But it is he who bravely goes  
Out in the world to meet his foes,  
And fight for right till God shall win,  
And faith shall triumph over sin.

It is the one with stern set face,  
That enters in the earnest race,  
To win life's goal, as sets the sun,  
Then shall the victor's crown be won.

It is the one who does the deed  
Of love to him in direst need,  
Who soothes the wounded, aching soul,  
But crushes sin by strong control.

This is the victor, great and grand,  
Who ever works with heart and hand  
Among the throngs of weary men;  
Just as the Master worked with them.

—M. A. Holt.

## THE ONLY REAL JOY.

Now LET us see what Jesus will do for us if we let him. In his prayer for his disciples he said: “And now I come to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.” Is it possible to have joy in obeying Christ? It is the only real joy that any soul can have. You may have

what you call “a good time,” and laugh and joke; but your joy will be only a foolish gratification of a mind that is not well balanced by the Spirit of God. Christ continued, “I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.” Do you expect that the world will love you when you go contrary to the customs and traditions of the world? Do you expect to be treated better than was the Master of the house? “Sanctify them through thy truth; thy word is truth.” Now do not feel that you must hide it under a bushel. Let it be known to others, let it shine forth, that others may be saved, may be sanctified through it. Be a living example, be under the control of the Spirit of Christ. Jesus says, “Neither pray I for these alone, but for them which shall believe on me through their word.” This tells you your duty. The word of those who believe is to be as seed sown in the hearts of others, that will spring forth and bear fruit unto life eternal.

Christ prays for the unity of his people, and says, “That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us; that the world may believe that thou hast sent me.” What a oneness is here represented! In this unity, divine credentials are presented

to the world that they may believe in Jesus. “And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them [that is the character which Christ has, his righteousness]; that they may be one, even as we are one.” Christ within is the glory of God, the hope big with immortality and eternal life. “That they may be one, even as we are one; I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know,”—and now comes the greatest assertion that has ever been made in behalf of his people,—“That thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.” Can we take that in? The God of heaven loves us as he loves his Son. All the world is in rebellion against God; but those who struggle, who strive, who agonize to enter in at the strait gate, are beloved of God with peculiar tenderness, and they shall find the broad path; for “thy commandment is exceeding broad.” “The law of the Lord is perfect converting the soul.”

When the world is brought in connection with the converted people of God, they realize that they have been transformed in character, and thus they glorify God. Of them Jesus says, “Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory [they are to behold his divinity, his

oneness with the Father, which he had from the beginning], which thou hast given me; for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world." Christ said to his disciples, "In my Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

. . . I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also."

"O righteous Father," the world knows all about thee. Is that the way it reads? Does the world know all about *you*, brethren? Jesus says, "The world hath not known thee; but I have known thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me. And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it; that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them, and I in them." Praise God, brethren, with heart and soul and voice. Even when amid trials, we should be the happiest people on the earth, because our life is hid with Christ in God, and when he shall appear, we also shall appear with him in glory. We are not living for the applause of the world; we are living for the future, immortal inheritance. We are heirs of God, and joint heirs with Jesus Christ to an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away. When sorrow takes hold of your soul, when persecuted and afflicted, lift up your head, for your redemption draweth nigh. You are to have a life that measures with the life of God. You are not to seek to meet the world's standard, but to be commandment-keepers, to be members of the royal family, children of the heavenly King, and to enjoy eternal riches.

Climb the ladder of progress heavenward. Christ is the ladder, whose base is on the earth and whose topmost round reaches to the highest heaven. God is above the ladder, and his glory is shining on every round. You must climb the ladder by clinging to Christ, and finally reach

the everlasting kingdom. I pray you in the name of Christ, put on every piece of the armor of God, and fight manfully the battles of the Lord. "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." When you are met with sneers and ridicule, rejoice that your names are written in the books of heaven, that you are to be made immortal, to have an abundant entrance into the kingdom of heaven, because you are law-abiding citizens of the heavenly country. You shall see the King in his beauty, and dwell with him, and have a life that runs parallel with the life of Jehovah.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

#### AN ARISTOCRACY OF HEALTH.

AMONG the old Romans the cultivation of health was made the main business of life. When the pagans ruled Rome, that city was full of the most magnificent baths. Those who have visited Italy and Rome will remember the ruins of these wonderful baths built by the Emperor Caracalla, where thousands of bathers could be served in a day. There were also the wonderful baths of Diocletian, of which the Pantheon constituted the vestibule. Those baths were in constant use by the populace, and they were patronized not simply for the purpose of cleanliness, but for health. There were also rooms provided in connection with those baths for all kinds of healthful exercises. But, unfortunately, in the early centuries of the Christian era all these things were done away with,—these magnificent baths, the means of physical health, were torn down, and their stones built into churches, of which Rome already had enough. Thus, Rome is to-day

a city of churches, but there are no baths; and we have it on good authority that for a thousand years, the bath was a thing unknown in Rome; indeed, writers of those times tell us that the neglect of the body was counted among the cardinal virtues.

As a result of this false doctrine introduced during the dark ages, the body was neglected, abused, and tortured, with the idea that the soul would thus be made better. And, sad to relate, we have not seen the end of the practical workings of this theory yet. We often hear, for instance, about the ministry of sickness, when sickness is the greatest possible misfortune that a person can have. Sickness does not do any one any good in the long run. An affliction, or disappointment now and then, which breaks off one's plans, and checks his ambitions, may have a good effect upon him by helping him to see how powerless he is to carry out all his plans; but chronic sickness certainly can not help any one.

How can such a person be happy? How can he be calm and self-controlled? It is impossible. The fact is, a great share of the total depravity in this world is really total indigestion. One needs but to visit the jails, workhouses, and prisons of our cities, to become thoroughly convinced of this. In every large prison there will be found a large number of epileptics; they are many times as numerous as in society at large. Doctor Abernethy used to say that every sick man was a rascal. That may be taking rather strong ground, but his idea was, that every sick man had been wicked in violating the laws of his being in some respect, or he would not be sick.

What a boon it would be to the race, if men could only become convinced of the value of health, and of the necessity of training for it! The more gold a man has, the greater are his efforts to obtain more, and why should it not be so with health? Dis-

ease makes one narrow, morose, unhappy, disagreeable, useless; while in health there is a spontaneity of energy, a delight in work, an irresistible disposition to use the faculties. Why should we live in the slums of disease and feebleness, when there is a true nobility, a genuine aristocracy, a royalty of health, which may be ours if we will make it our aim and purpose in life? J. H. KELLOGG.

### THREE STEPS.

THE Lord has given clear directions to the church concerning the disciplining of its members. These directions are recorded in Matt. 18:15-17, "Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established. And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church; but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican."

In taking the first step we should go alone, before publishing it to others, and then with the thought, and that only, of restoring the offending one. The second step should be taken with the same object in view, and should these efforts fail to restore the offender, the third and final step should follow which instructs the church, in case of a refusal on the part of the member to hear the church, to "let him be unto thee as a heathen man and a publican." It is thought by some that this third and last step teaches that the church has no right to separate the unrepentant and offending member from the church, for they say that such an action would be to sit in judgment upon our brother's case, which is plainly forbidden in the Bible. It will be found, however, by an exami-

nation of the Bible and the Testimonies that such an idea is contrary to the teachings of Christ.

If the members of the church follow strictly the Bible instruction on this question, both in the spirit and letter, it will not be they who decide as to the worthiness or unworthiness, but the Lord is the one who renders the decision through his delegated servants who compose his church. This is what Christ meant when he said, "Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." It should not be forgotten that Christ is the one who is doing the binding and loosing. The principle on this point is expressed in the following words of inspiration: "Nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me."

It is true that great care should be taken, where it becomes the painful duty of the church to take this third and final step, that they do not root up the wheat with the tares.

It must be evident to all that if the church has no authority to discipline her members, it follows that she has no right to receive a member into the church, and this would result in destroying organization.

The following statement, which is to the point, will be found in "Christ's Object Lessons," page seventy-one, last paragraph, "Christ has plainly taught that those who persist in open sin must be separated from the church."

The local church organization is a miniature theocracy and has a perfect and legitimate right to discipline those who compose it if occasion demands.

Pause and picture to yourself for a moment the condition of a church without discipline, it would indeed become a "hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" as is evidenced by some churches of the world where sin goes unrebuked.

K. C. RUSSELL.

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## The FIELD

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### THE BATH TRACT SOCIETY.

REPORTS from the Bath Tract Society show that they are doing a good work. The members are on the alert to improve opportunities to distribute literature. A lady called on one member with a bundle of the literature of the day which she offered him to read. He declined, saying he had no use for that kind of reading, and offered her a copy of the *Signs of the Times* which she accepted.

A sister gave the tract "Elihu on the Sabbath" to a young man to read, and after he had read it, remarked, "I suppose you do not believe it." He replied, "I believe more than you think I do."

A sister loaned the first envelope of the tract set to a Baptist minister who read the same, and loaned it to another man and came for the second envelope. These are a few of the many incidents which show how seed is being sown, and we trust that the work will be continued with zeal.

E. H. MORTON.

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### OXFORD, MD.

A PORTABLE tabernacle, capable of seating one hundred people, was pitched in this town, January 24. Meetings have been held nightly since, with an attendance ranging from thirty-five to ninety-five. The interest has been all that could be desired.

Some features in the surroundings make the work difficult of securing immediate results. The people depend for a livelihood upon fishing, oystering, etc. The winter has been exceptionally hard, and now the season is past for oystering. Many have gone to other fields to find employment. The high winds have ruined the nets of the fishermen, and entailed heavy loss upon them. So many being away for weeks at a time engaged in their work has reduced

our attendance, and many who went away were getting deeply interested just before going.

We learn that on their return, the business they will take up will prevent their attending our meetings because they will be in the midst of their work during that part of the night.

Thus far two have accepted the Sabbath and kindred truths. Many others are greatly disturbed in their hearts, but they seem to be dreading the cost.

Elder V. H. Lucas has given what service he could consistently without neglecting his duties in Cambridge, and his labors are greatly appreciated. Had we started our meetings at a more favorable season, perhaps greater results would have been seen.

The people are the Lord's, the work and workers are his also. We have faith in his word that it shall not return unto him void. So we labor on, sowing the seed, filled with courage and hope.

JOHN F. JONES.

#### WEST NEWTON, MASS.

A PLEASANT, and I trust a profitable service, was held at the home of the writer, yesterday, April 5. The Sabbath-school lesson, the subject of which is an inspiring theme to every Seventh-day Adventist, was conducted in a helpful manner by our elder, Brother Davis.

It was our privilege to have Brother Bills with us. He has given us many precious Bible lessons during the fall and winter. I trust the Lord will be with him in all the varied experiences of the coming summer months.

The ordinances were celebrated, and as we meditated upon the dying love of Christ, our hearts rejoiced that we were counted worthy to be his disciples.

My heart was made glad to read the encouraging report which Sister Scribner gave last week to the read-

ers of the GLEANER. I hope the dear ones interested will not turn a deaf ear to the loving call, "Come out of her, my people." I should be much pleased to meet this sister face to face, but, like one of old, she is doing a "great work," and can not "come down." By earnest prayer and loving sympathy, we may all have a share in this "great work."

ABBIE F. FISK.

#### READING RACKS.

WE are glad to note that in various parts of Maine reading racks have been introduced into railway and electric car stations with good results. The one in Gray railway station is well patronized, and faithfully cared for by the station agent. The one in the electric car station in Bangor retained its place while two others were removed, the proprietor of the waiting-room remarking that "it was the only one that amounted to anything." Brother Lamb writes that he can not keep it filled always, the demand for the papers is so great. Those in Portland railway stations are emptied by eager hands almost as soon as filled. This way of distributing literature is far-reaching in its influence. We hope that more may be done in this direction.

E. H. MORTON.

#### WORK WITH YACHT "SENTINEL" IN GREATER NEW YORK HARBOR.

FROM time to time we have endeavored to have the brethren and sisters become familiar with this branch of the work, and what is being accomplished among the seamen and their families. For the last four years, we have been sending out literature to different parts of the world, and selling our large publications.

This branch of the work is not a home work alone, but is mostly work among ships of other nations, so it is a foreign work at home. The interest is good. We are just beginning

to see results from our work, as we have been sowing the seed, and God is giving the increase. We receive some encouraging letters. A lady to whom we sold "Desire of Ages," "Daniel and the Revelation," "Great Controversy," "Patriarchs and Prophets," and "Object Lessons," writes from Glasgow, Scotland, "Oh, what a precious investment that was that I made in New York! I pray that God may use you to bring many souls to the knowledge of his saving power." Brother Cross, who accepted the truth through the harbor work, has been carrying on the work while we have been attending school at South Lancaster.

For the last two years the Lord has done a good work, and many have become interested in the message for this time. The boat we have been using is very inconvenient and is too small for our work. At a recent meeting of the General Conference, the yacht "Sentinel" was turned over to the Atlantic Union Conference.

Since the work has become part of this field, plans have been laid for the construction of a new boat for the work in Greater New York Harbor and on the Atlantic Coast. We have had from a lover of the cause of God a donation of fifteen acres of land which cost her a few years ago \$1,000 but which is placed at a cash price of five hundred dollars, and smaller donations amounting to two hundred dollars. We hope to receive five hundred dollars from the sale of the yacht "Sentinel," making in all \$1,200. The total amount that will be necessary to construct the new boat will be about \$2,500. Brethren and sisters, rally to the cause of God, and the work will soon be done, and the Lord will come and gather us all home.

From time to time the amounts received will be inserted in the GLEANER. Watch its columns. Send all donations to Geo. W. Palmer, South Lan-

caster, Mass. He is secretary and treasurer of the Atlantic Union Conference. To insure safety remit by post-office money order or New York draft.

The donations, etc., already named are as follows:

A lover of the message,	\$500.00
A friend in Greater New York,	100.00
T. T. Tucker, Rhode Island,	25.00
E. E. Miles,	25.00
Sale of yacht "Sentinel," (about)	500.00
Sundry contributions,	50.00

Total, \$1,200.00

J. L. JOHNSON.

STATEMENT OF TITHES RECEIVED BY  
LOCAL CONFERENCE TREASURERS  
IN THE ATLANTIC UNION  
CONFERENCE.

For Year Ending December 31, 1902.

Conferences.	Church members	Amt. Tithe	Tithe per capita.
Atlantic,	894	\$13,217.74	\$14.78
Chesapeake,	675	6,197.76	9.18
Maine,	510	4,218.02	8.27
New England,	1,213	13,517.69	11.14
New York,	1,750	12,663.65	7.24
Pennsylvania,	1,700	17,171.00	10.10
Vermont,	500	3,754.23	7.51
Virginia,	375	1,975.86	5.27
West Virginia,	390	1,446.73	3.71
Totals,	8,007	\$74,162.68	\$9.26

ROCK HALL, MD.

I CLOSE my work here for a few days and go to Ford's Store, where I will begin a course of lectures this Monday, evening. There has been a good interest here from the first. I close with a full house, and hope to see more done here in the future.

At the present time the enemy is working very hard. Two of our people were arrested this morning for Sunday breaking. How many more arrests will be made, we can not say, but we may expect almost anything. I have never seen so much of the power of God manifested in all my labors, or of the power of the enemy. For three months the battle has been

raging. Sometimes it looked as though the enemy would be victorious and then the truth would triumph, and one after another would break from the enemy's ranks and take their stand for the Lord. It has been victory all the way.

What I have seen for the past three months has been showing me that we as a people have but a little while longer to work; everything is pointing to the end. Do we all feel this? Are we doing all we can to forward the message? Now is the time to work. Oh, that the Lord would cover his people by his Spirit, and that there might be a coming up to the help of the Lord,—to the help of the Lord against the mighty.

F. W. MACE.

NIANTIC, R. I.

WITH gratitude and praise to our gracious Heavenly Father, we wish to make mention through the GLEANER of what he is doing for our little church down here in the southwestern portion of Rhode Island, that is seldom visited by our conference workers.

For months past, and we might with propriety say for years, this little branch of the Lord's planting, of more than two decades, has felt it a *duty* to take action upon some delinquent members, who had so far separated themselves from God and his truth as to be entirely uncommunicative and in some cases out and out covenant-breakers, in more ways than one.

Believing that these conditions were not pleasing to God, and that he could not consistently bless the church in remaining this way, the church rallied to a sense of its obligations and took scriptural steps to remove this reproach that hung over it as a pall.

From this time, a new life seemed to permeate the church; greater unity has prevailed among us, and some few from the outside have been com-

ing to us for help and light and truth. The Spirit of God has graciously been leading us in paths hitherto unknown, and our hearts have been filled with joy and gladness such as the church has not enjoyed in years, if it ever did.

Yesterday, being the first Sabbath of the new quarter, and the time of the church quarterly meeting, it was the privilege of the writer to baptize four adults—all heads of families—and to extend the right hand of fellowship to one other who has removed her standing from a sister church. Two weeks ago yesterday, one other head of a family that has recently come among us, was admitted to our membership, making six new additions of late; and we believe there are still others who will shortly identify themselves with God's commandment-keeping people.

Our meeting yesterday was the largest and most enthusiastic spiritually that we have ever known since the early history of the church. In the social service two frequently rose at the same time to bear testimony for the Lord and his truth.

Brethren, pray for us, that the word of God may spread with power in our midst, that other souls may be quickened, and saved when the Master comes.

E. A. STILLMAN.

April 6 1902.

AN exchange states that Mrs. J. L. Shaw has been holding cooking schools in Calcutta, India, with large attendance and good results.

"IF thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small."

BROODING over the evil that you have done will never correct that evil. Rather will it make possible a repetition of the thing dwelt on. Set your mind the other way. Think honest, pure, kind, courageous thoughts all the time, and your mind will have no time for their opposites.—*Success.*

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**EDUCATIONAL**


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OUR ACADEMY AND  
CHURCH-SCHOOLS

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**CHAPEL EXERCISES, SUNDAY MORNING,  
APRIL 6.**

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THE chapel exercises took a very interesting turn on Sunday morning, April 6. On Sabbath, Elder Cottrell had announced to the students and the people assembled in the regular church service that one who was much interested in the school work had given \$3,500.00 to assist in the building of a Home for the gentlemen students. Consequently, there was an unusual interest and spirit among the students. Not only so, but a hearty feeling was prevailing owing to the canvassing work on Friday.

The first point considered was that of "Christ's Object Lessons" work. It was determined that the students had taken eighty orders on the previous Thursday. The question as to whether we should have another day in which to canvass was put to vote, and nearly all in the chapel were in favor of so doing. The students were requested to write out brief reports of their experiences in this work, that others might be encouraged by what had been done. In another place we give a few of these.

Elder Cottrell then spoke of this generous donation which had been made to the school, calling attention to the fact that this would now demand immediate action upon the part of all friends of the school to raise the remainder of the sum necessary to erect a suitable Home for the gentlemen. Many of the young men have been praying that the Lord would open some way by which such a Home might be erected, and it was very encouraging to have this visible answer to their prayers.

It was proposed that the students should organize themselves into some sort of a building association to secure funds necessary to complete the re-

quired amount for the erection of the building. They have been organizing themselves into this association during the week. This certainly should be a lesson for all our people everywhere. The young men do not want anything extravagant, but a simple and comfortable place in which to live while at the school pursuing their studies.

Following this, Elder Miles spoke concerning the canvassers' institute which commenced last Friday. His remarks were interesting, and seemed to be enjoyed by the students. He set forth the great need for laborers in this field, occupying, as it does, not only the most important part of the United States, but containing such a large portion of its population.

Fifteen of the students signified their intention to take up the canvassing work and enter the work of the institute. This number has now increased until there are twenty-six who are attending the institute.

It is truly encouraging to see such deep interest manifested in this branch of the Lord's work in the school this year.

Altogether, this chapel exercise would seem to be the most profitable one that has been held in a long time.

F. GRIGGS.

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**WILLIMANTIC CHURCH SCHOOL.**

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OUR church school, held at North Windham, Conn., is enjoying a vacation of two weeks. We can truly testify to God's goodness and blessing with us during the school year thus far.

The children have been doing faithful work. Never in my two years' experience in public school teaching did I notice the progress that I have in the little time that I have been connected with church-school work.

In reading, for my youngest pupil, we use Professor Sutherland's "Bible Reader," also "Best Stories from the Best Book." In physiology I read

from "The House We Live In," and he remembers it very well, and enjoys it so much. In Bible we have stories from Old Testament characters. His spelling and writing lessons are taken from the physiology and reading lessons.

"Christ's Object Lessons" and selections from different authors are used by the older ones as readers. Kellogg's Physiology No. 2 we use. In geography we have had no one text-book, but have correlated the *Missionary Magazine*. Dr. Godsmark's lessons in the *Youth's Instructor*, and "Fry's Geography." It has been my aim to keep the needs and progress of the cause before the children. One of my pupils has expressed the desire that his life-work shall be canvassing. I believe he will prepare for it when the opportunity presents itself. We also use Professor Sutherland's "Mental Arithmetic," and others with it, as we need.

Some attention is given to singing and drawing. The drawing is simply illustrating our lessons.

Our Bible lessons have been taken from "Steps to Christ" and the books of "Daniel" and "Revelation." We also study our Sabbath-school lesson twice a week.

Our numbers do not increase as yet because we are so scattered, but there are enough to claim the blessing. We are praying that the Lord will open the way for us all to get together soon. The outlook is encouraging.

It is our desire to be coworkers with Christ. May the Lord bless the church-school work in this broad harvest-field.

EDITH L. CHAMBERLIN.

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**SOME BRIEF EXPERIENCES IN SELLING  
"CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS."**

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I WAS out canvassing about five hours Thursday; and I can say that I thoroughly enjoyed the work.

I met one Unitarian lady, and although I did not sell her a book, we

had an interesting talk. She expressed her pleasure in reading all religious literature, so I made an arrangement to carry literature to her.

I enjoyed meeting with the Catholics very much.

I took four orders and promised two families to call on them later.

ONE of the places in my territory was a three-family house. There was a pleasant elderly woman upstairs and I canvassed her first. She wanted the book, but, owing to adverse circumstances, she could not take it. As I was going, I asked her if she thought that the neighbors would be interested in it. I soon learned their names and beliefs. "What are the people's names downstairs?" I asked. She told me, but added, "But they are Catholics. You are not going there are you?" Every one had discouraged any idea of canvassing them. "Oh, yes, I think so. I do not like to pass by any one," I answered. At the first place I could not gain an entrance, but at the second, the woman was delighted with the book, and wanted it very much, so much that she gave me at least a conditional order in spite of an oculist's bill.

MY experience in selling "Christ's Object Lessons" is brief, as I was traveling more than canvassing, although what little time I did canvass I took two orders. One was from a superintendent of a Sunday-school, and he was only too glad to receive the book. The other person that I took an order from was a teacher in a Sunday-school at Bolton.

I rode my wheel to the different places, but I had to give it a rest two or three times. The first rest was on account of having a puncture; the next time my chain broke, and the last time I had to stop on account of a spoke being loose and getting tangled in my hind wheel.

I can say I enjoyed my trip and

had pretty good success for one who did not know the book very well. The way to have good success with "Christ's Object Lessons" is to know the book, and then hunt up teachers, preachers, and others connected with Christian work, and you are sure of success by introducing it to them in the right way.

ALTHOUGH last Thursday was my first experience in canvassing, I take pleasure in saying that the day and a half spent in this work is one of the happiest remembrances of my life.

Three orders were taken for "Christ's Object Lessons," and two of the subscribers, the pastor of the Congregational church of the place where I worked, and his head teacher in the Sunday-school, wished the books delivered on Friday, that they might have them to use in their work the following Sunday. A deep interest was shown, and I think the book was fully appreciated. Much real enjoyment is experienced in this work, if we only put our whole soul into it.

"Good impulses are God-given. All that aspires and looks up bears the stamp of the Omnipotent. The good in us, is Omnipotence; for good, wherever manifested, is God and life. All else is death."

THERE are many professing Christians who have just enough religion to make them miserable; and they might as well be without any. They take a good drink of the sweets of the world, and they try to quiet their conscience by a pilgrimage to the Living Well. But though they rattle the chains, and let down their buckets, they never get one pure crystal drop for their poor, parched lips, because they do not seek the Lord with *all* their hearts. And so, after a little while, they rush off again to the gilded pleasures of the world. Do not make their mistake. As Jesus gave all for you, so give all to him; and he will give you back one-hundred fold.—*F. B. Meyer.*

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## MEDICAL MISSIONARY

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### POSSIBILITIES.

THE title I am sure will appear to the reader as rather vague. The possibilities of what are we to consider? And what are these possibilities? Whatever flashes through your mind, you will finally conclude: This is, of course, some great thing within the reach of young people, Seventh-day Adventists, consecrated Christians who wish to give their lives to the Lord's service.

Indeed it is a great thing. What could be grander, nobler, more inspiring than working with God, our Maker, the Creator of the universe, the rightful Ruler of earth, also the supreme Potentate of heaven? What is this work in which he allows us to be laborers together with him? It is to show poor, discouraged, weary, sick, sinful human beings that there is peace, hope, joy, relief from pain and deliverance from sin, and that when this brief period of probationary time is ended,

"There is a land, a better land than this,  
Where pain and sorrow never shall annoy.  
This land's a land of everlasting bliss,  
And joy is present there without alloy."

How can we come so close to human hearts? How can we show them the one thing needful in their lives? What better can we do than follow in the footsteps of our Master? He knew the conflicts of the soul. He could measure the physical strength. He knew the inherited tendencies to sin, the environment of each one and the instruction which had been received. He even knew the very thoughts of individuals, and he knows all these things to-day.

He promises the Holy Spirit to guide us. I have so often heard these words, "I want to do what the Lord wants me to do, if I only knew what he wanted me to do." If the all-wise Creator, by his Holy Spirit,

guides and directs us in choosing our work, and in pursuing the same, is there any danger but what we will "do what the Lord wants us to do"? What does he tell us to do?—"Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." This gospel, glad tidings, good news of salvation, then, is for all, from the street-corner beggar to the king on his throne. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, from the vilest criminal to those that say, "Lord, when saw we thee an hungered, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?" This is not only salvation from the final consequences of sin, but from its present effects on our lives. He came to save us from the transgression of the natural laws of our bodies—God's temples—written delicately there by the "word of God," as well as from breaking the laws which his fingers traced on the stony tablets and which he also desires to write on the "fleshy tables of the heart."

"And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." Would you say that the only thing we need do for the sick is to pray, anointing with oil and the laying-on of hands? Do you remember how when Hezekiah was sick unto death, he "turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the Lord." "And Hezekiah wept sore." "And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, that the word of the Lord came to him, saying, Turn again, and tell Hezekiah, the captain of my people, Thus saith the Lord, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears; behold I will heal thee." "And Isaiah said, Take a lump of figs. And they took and laid it on the boil, and he recovered." It seems that the Lord sometimes re-

quires us to do something else in addition to praying.

Then there are those of us that may take the other extreme and think that the patient will never recover with simply the use of cold or hot water, etc.; at least some medicine must be given. Naaman, the Syrian, sent to enquire about being healed of his leprosy. When he had consulted the prophet of God's peculiar people, and was told, "Go wash in Jordan seven times, he was wroth and departed, thus speaking, "Behold, I thought, He will surely come out to me, and stand, and call on the name of the Lord his God and strike his hand over the place, and recover the leper." "So he turned and went away in a rage." "And his servants came near, and spake unto him, and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldst thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee, Wash, and be clean?" Would Naaman have been recovered of his leprosy had he put a plaster of figs over the place?

We learn from this that it is not sufficient just to do something, but we must do the definite thing that the Lord directs. Then if the Lord gives us definite instruction in regard to the laws of life and health, and also concerning simple measures in disease, can we be well, or assist others in recovery, if we allow ourselves to remain ignorant of these principles and remedial measures? Are our health institutions the proper place to get this instruction, or do we get it all directly from the Lord in answer to prayer? I would like to refer to some statements in a special testimony relating to medical missionary work:

"I could wish there were a hundred nurses in training where there is one. It ought to be thus. Both men and women can be so much more useful as medical missionaries than as missionaries without a medical education.

"Perilous times are before us. The whole world will be involved in perplexity and distress, disease of every kind will be upon the human family, and such ignorance as now prevails concerning the laws of health would result in great suffering and the loss of many lives that might be saved.

"While Satan is doing his utmost to take advantage of men's ignorance, and to lay the foundation for disease by improper treatment of the body, it is best for those who claim to be sons and daughters of God, to avail themselves, while they can, of the opportunities now presented to gain a knowledge of the human system, and how it may be preserved in health. We are to use every faculty of mind which God has given us. The Lord will not work a miracle to preserve any one in health, who will not make an effort to obtain knowledge within his reach concerning this wonderful habitation that God has given.

"If we would elevate the moral standard in any country where we may be called to go, we must begin by correcting their physical habits. Virtue of character depends upon the right action of the powers of the mind and the body.

"As religious aggression subverts the liberties of our nation, those who stand for freedom of conscience will be placed in unfavorable positions. For their own sake they should, while they have opportunity, become intelligent in regard to disease, its cause, prevention and cure. And those who do this will find a field of labor anywhere.

"In almost every church there are young men and women who might receive education either as nurses or physicians. They will never have a more favorable opportunity than now."

Again, we ask, What are the possibilities?—Those of being a channel of light and blessing to the world, or of perishing in comparative obscurity from some of the diseases that prey



upon it. Which is the more desirable? Not a query would arise could you once know the joy of being an instrument in God's hands for snatching one fellow creature from the brink of the grave and eternal death, and after nursing him back to life, hear the confession from the patient's own lips, "Your Saviour is my Saviour, too."

CLARA L. BECKNER, M. D.

**MEDICAL MISSIONARY COLLEGE.**

THE Seventh-day Adventist denomination has already expended more than half a million dollars for the erection of colleges and academies in different parts of the world for the education of young people, that they may be fitted to go forth as laborers in different departments of the Master's service. However, as a denomination we have invested no money as yet, toward the establishment of colleges for the education of medical students and nurses. Is not this a singularly strange condition of things?

We certainly have not given too much money in the department above mentioned, but where we have come short, is in not doing our duty in the interest of the medical department of the one great work. We now have the opportunity of redeeming the time, by each one casting his mite into the treasury known as the "Acre Fund." It is desired that this fund be increased till it reach the amount of one hundred thousand dollars, and that the property formerly owned by the Battle Creek College may be secured and devoted to the use of the Medical Missionary College and Nurses' Training School.

Those who can are invited to dedicate a certain portion of a growing crop to that special use. You can observe that it would be but a little task for the entire denomination to raise the desired amount of money, if those who till the soil were to do even a little in this direction. Now

there are many in the East who do not cultivate the soil, but for their weekly labor receive ready cash. Shall not each of these join the ranks of the former class and devote a certain amount of weekly earnings to this noble enterprise?

Those who do not have to wait for growing crops can send their donations at once to the treasurer of the General Conference, H. M. Mitchell, Battle Creek, Mich., stating that it is for the Missionary Acre Fund.

H. W. COTTRELL.

**DEVELOPS BUSINESS MEN.**

THE effecting of a better organization of every department of the cause has been the study and the endeavor of the Seventh-day Adventist denomination for some time past, especially since the assembling of the last General Conference, and there has been a continual hunt for competent men for responsible positions in departments and institutions and for leaders and organizers in special lines. Many, many hours have been spent in the councils of the General Conference Committee and State conference committees and by boards of management of schools, sanitariums and other institutions, in earnest, anxious search for men, and the world has been gone over and over again in their efforts to fill various positions, and sometimes the man or the men could not be found.

The writer has been present in some of these councils, and he has observed that men who have had a successful experience in the canvassing field are especially sought for to fill these positions of trust and responsibility, and it is also a noticeable fact that many of the old canvassers are in such positions to-day, men who were with us in the canvassing work ten or fifteen years ago. The falling off in the book business during more recent years has resulted in a dearth of laborers in other departments, and it is becoming more and more apparent that the welfare of the cause generally is very largely dependent upon the maintenance of a strong, well-organized, well-disciplined canvassing force or forces.

Canvassing is dealing with minds, and the canvasser must make men see and feel and act; he must exercise his ingenuity in gaining access to his prospective customers, and in securing their attention; he must be able to read his man, to judge quickly of his individual tastes and temperament, as well as to take in general and

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**THE BOOK WORK.**

**NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.**

WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
<b>DESIRE OF AGES.</b>				
1 A. G. McBurnie, Fall River,		5	17.50	3.75
2 R. C. Andrews, Nashua, N.H.,		2	7.00	
3 E. W. Stone, Haverhill,				8.50
4 H. L. White, Grafton,		3	11.25	8.75
5 J. E. Leighton, Groveland,		2	7.75	6.00
6 F. W. Johnston, N. Andover,		2	6.00	8.75
7 Cora A. Spencer, Worcester,		6	21.75	7.00
<b>MARVEL OF NATIONS.</b>				
8 Mrs. J. Wilbur, Westerly, R.I.		6	8.25	
<b>OBJECT LESSONS.</b>				
9 S. A. Whittier, Whitinsville		14	17.50	2.00
10 G. R. Ruggles, Medford,		8	10.00	
11 H. C. Hartwell, Dover, N.H.,		2	2.50	.50
12 *Edward Finck, Jamaica Pl.,		4	5.00	
1 A. G. McBurnie, Fall River,		11	13.75	
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>12 Agents,</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>\$128.25</b>	<b>\$45.25</b>

Time.—No. 1, 30 hrs; 2, 20 hrs; 3, 27 hrs; 4, 31 hrs; 5, 31 hrs; 6, 26 hrs; 7, 17 hrs; 8, 8 hrs; 9, 30 hrs; 10, 15 hrs. Total, 235 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 1, \$4.00; 3, \$3.50; 4, \$21.75; 5, \$27.00; 6, \$24.75; 7, \$47.25; 8, \$1.50; 9, \$9.00; 10, \$3.75.

\* Two weeks.

**PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE.**

WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 1902.

Name	Place	Ords	Val	Hips
<b>GREAT CONTROVERSY.</b>				
1 W. H. Zeidler, McKeesport,		4	11.25	8.25
<b>COMING KING.</b>				
2 W. C. Fleischer, McKeesport,		12	12.00	7.50
3 Christian Mahr, Sharon,		1	1.00	.50
<b>SUNBEAMS.</b>				
4 Ivor Lawrence, Elton,		15	17.50	
<b>Totals,</b>	<b>4 Ag'ts,</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>41.75</b>	<b>16.25</b>

Time.—No. 1, 15 hrs; 2, 17 hrs; 3, 8 hrs; 4, 20 hrs. Total, 60 hrs.

Deliveries.—No. 2, \$1.75; 3, \$9.00; 4, \$4.25.

peculiar conditions and circumstances.

I say the canvasser must make his man see and feel and act. Before a man will buy a book, he must see that it is a good book or that it is desirable to have for his own pleasure or profit or the good of some member of his family; he must be impressed with the importance of having it, and he must be led to make the decision then and there. Intellect, sensibilities and the will,—all departments of the mind,—must be dealt with in the little, simple process of selling a book: and what is more, the man's fist, or, in other words, his pocketbook comes into the reckoning, and in some instances the allaying of the passions of opposing members of his family.

No two men or sets of circumstances are exactly alike. A few years in the canvassing field affords an extensive and varied experience in dealing with men, and the diligent, studious and progressive canvasser is bound to have some of his latent forces aroused and developed; and by cultivating a noble, generous spirit in all his dealings with the people and with the house (the tract society) and with his fellow canvassers, he will grow into a broad-minded, capable business man; and if he associates with other canvassers in the work, going with them in companies, larger or smaller, he will become a leader and an organizer, if he has talents that lead in these directions.

The canvassing work is an excellent school for young men and young women who are willing to pay the tuition, or to put into the work what is required, devotion, thought, energy and about all there is of life, and to hold on and hold out through all the trying ordeals that may come in one's way, and to plod on and on, without a thought of giving up this line of work until the Lord calls to some other line. The canvasser must see enough in his work to claim his very best energies and his very life for life, else he will surely come short in his at-

tainments, and he will not persevere, and when he is wanted for some other position, it will be found that he has not shown the right kind of mettle.

E. E. MILES.

“HE THAT ENDURETH UNTO THE END.”

THE quotation mentioned in this heading can certainly be applied to the work of selling our literature, and especially in connection with the disposing of the quota of “Christ's Object Lessons.” The Lord has done wonderful things in connection with the selling of the book, and we expect he will do still greater. For he says that he is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we can ask or think. And let everybody say “Amen” to that.

We not only want to do our part in this work, but we want to keep at it, and stick to it, right through to the end. Talk it; act it; preach it; pray it; sell it. Have a purpose to see it accomplished; and by the grace of God stand by till the work is finished. Then if every one does this, it surely ought not to be long before it will be finished.

One time a minister was invited to preach at a certain church. He accepted the call. His first sermon was on “repentance.” His second sermon was the same as the first. The third sermon was like the second. The fourth, fifth, etc., for nine months were on the topic of “repentance.” One night the prominent members of the church came together to see what could be done in waiting upon the minister, to have him treat upon some other theme of the gospel. Two of the deacons were selected to visit the pastor, and to tell him the mind of the church. He received them cordially; and after hearing what they had to say, he replied, “It is true that I have been here nine months: it is also true that I have spoken constantly on ‘repentance.’ Now I wish to tell you that I expect to continue

to preach on ‘repentance’ as long as I stay here, *till I see the people repent.*”

Dear reader, does the moral need to be amplified? “Go, and do thou likewise.”

The past week has been one of great blessedness to the writer, as I have sold a number of “Christ's Object Lessons” in connection with the other work I have had in preaching to the different churches. Last Sunday evening at the close of a lecture on “Jewish Customs and Traditions,” the pastor of the church made a public announcement to the people concerning the book, and recommended it very highly. When he was through, he asked me to finish what he had left unsaid. I sold one copy that night. The next day this same minister secured a horse for me, and drove me around among his parishioners to sell them a copy; in the afternoon he walked with me to several houses, and sat by while I made canvasses for the book. “All things are yours.” Amen. Praise the Lord.

He took me to see a brother minister to whom I sold a copy; and this latter pastor invited me to speak in his church in the near future both Sunday morning and evening. I expect he will also make a public announcement of the book. Then this man asked me if I would permit him to make some more appointments for me to speak in other churches. So the dear Lord is opening wonderful doors for the truth to be preached among other churches. This has been brought about largely through my working with “Christ's Object Lessons.”

Brethren, sisters, let us go to work, and keep at it till the thing is done. Let us not merely theorize, by telling others what *they* ought to do. That is Pharisaism. Jesus not only told the people what *they* ought to do, but he went ahead and showed them how to do it. “Go, and do thou likewise.” F. C. GILBERT.

**A TESTIMONIAL.**

THE following was clipped from *The Israelite*, a Jewish paper published in Chicago:

CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS, by Ellen G. White, Review and Herald Pub. Co., Battle Creek, Mich., and Chicago, Ill. Price \$1.25.

This is not exactly the book for Jewish family reading, as it is intended only for firm believers in Christ. But it is a work which rabbis and Jewish writers can study with advantage to themselves, so as to gain an idea of how popular religious literature should be put in shape to make it acceptable to the general reader. The author takes the leading parables of Christ and elaborates and develops them in a clear and pleasing manner, so as to impress the lessons taught. Mrs White's style is most excellent, and no one can fail to benefit from the moral instruction contained in the book. The work is profusely illustrated, and its mechanical execution is a credit to the publishers. A book on similar lines for Jews is a desideratum, and we commend this one for examination by those who write for Jewish readers.—*Keystone Gleaner*.

**INSTANT IN SEASON.**

ONE of the ministers in the New England Conference recently learned that in a certain city in the Conference there was soon to be a great rally on the Sunday question held on Sunday morning, afternoon and evening. After consulting with the president of the conference and the members of the church in this city, it was decided to scatter the printed page by the thousand, and thus get ahead of the evil work to be done, by sowing the good seed. It is expected that by the time the readers of the GLEANER secure this issue there will be from fifteen to twenty thousand pages of literature on the Sunday law question circulated. Pray for this

work. May the Lord open the eyes of many souls. Why should we not be "the head"? Did not God say that he would make his people "the head, and not the tail"? When the Syrian king was going to war with Israel, did not the Lord send a message by Elisha warning the king of Israel not to pass by certain places, because the enemy would come there? Thus several times the cause of God was saved defeats. Please read Mal. 3 : 6; Heb. 13 : 8.

Let every opportunity be watched; get in ahead of the enemy; sow all the seed of truth you can. God will abundantly bless the efforts.

F. C. GILBERT.

**ITEMS OF INTEREST**

**NEW ENGLAND.**

—We regret to state that the supply of the "Canvass" for "Object Lessons" by Brother Ruggles is exhausted. By mistake the type was thrown in before the second edition was called for.

—Elder H. W. Cottrell, and Brother W. A. Wilcox, treasurer of the New New England Sanitarium, were called to New York City last week on Sanitarium matters. Property to the amount of several thousand dollars is ready to be turned over to the Medical Missionary and Benevolent Association.

—Elder K. C. Russell visited South

Lancaster, Thursday, April 10, to counsel with Elder Place. Arrangements have been made for Elder Russell to speak in Berkley Hall April 13, and Elder Place April 20.

—Elder Place left South Lancaster Friday the 11th inst. for a two weeks' trip in Connecticut. He expects to canvass the ministers of New London and Norwich for "Object Lessons," and hold quarterly meetings with our churches at these places.

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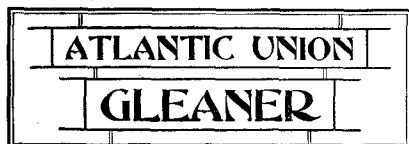
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THE Review and Herald Pub. Co. wrote April 9 that they hoped to have their Church Records ready for shipment in a few days.

A SISTER in Tennessee writes to the *Southern Watchman*, "We have had many precious experiences since coming here. Several whom we have met were desirous of having our reading matter, but could not buy, so we have been loaning our literature to them.

"We had not been here long before our little children (Gertie, aged twelve, and Llano, aged eight) wanted to canvass. They were both timid about talking with strangers, the little boy especially so. But we decided to encourage them in their desire, so we had a season of prayer with them and let them go. They took some of our small books, and were so successful that they have learned to love the work. They do not seem to be afraid to go anywhere with their books, and have sold copies in some of the finest homes of Murfreesboro. We have ordered several copies of the *Signs of the Times* for them to work with also.

"We are all anxious to do all we can toward scattering the seeds of truth. Pray for us that we may be faithful, and that God will help us to reach all those who may be seeking for light."

A missionary spirit on the part of the parents will soon have a molding influence on the minds of the children. The most effectual means of training them up in the way they should go,

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is for the parents to set them an example of walking in that way.

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THE Good Health Publishing Company have kindly offered to club *Good Health* one year with the ATLANTIC UNION GLEANER for 85 cts. The regular price of the *Good Health* is \$1.00 and of the GLEANER, 50 cts. You will readily see that this is furnishing you the papers at a trifle more than half price, but these terms are made only with a view to rapidly increasing our list.

### THE MISSION BOAT.

THROUGH the liberality of the brethren comprising the Foreign Mission Board, they have donated the New York Harbor mission boat, the "Sentinel" to the Atlantic Union Conference. I will say in behalf of the executive committee of the Conference, that we are thankful for the contribution. The responsibility of carrying forward the harbor work now devolves upon the people of this Union Conference. Should we not plan to make the most of the coming summer? I believe we should. The Lord will hold us responsible to place the light of Sabbath reform and the news of the soon-coming of Christ before the mariners who visit the harbor of this great metropolitan city.

Captain Johnson and his wife man the boat. They have worked to great disadvantage on account of the poor arrangement of the boat, a fact which only those who have visited them can appreciate. The captain has a desire to have a larger and a more conveniently constructed boat.

We are very desirous of planning the best we can for every department of the work; so we have decided to build a new boat that will meet the demand, provided we can *first* secure the necessary funds, which will be about two thousand dollars, besides the capital invested in the present

boat. We have had a cash offer for the "Sentinel" of five hundred dollars, which is a fair price for it. We have concluded to sell it, provided friends of this department of the work will contribute the sum of two thousand dollars to build a new boat.

One lady has contributed, and is ready to deed over to us, some real estate, worth at least five hundred dollars. We have a cash contribution of one hundred dollars and two others of twenty-five dollars each.

If the officers of the different conferences will interest themselves at once in securing the necessary funds, the question of building the new boat may be determined within a very short time.

Please forward all contributions by bank draft, or post-office money order to Geo. W. Palmer, Treasurer A. U. Conference, So. Lancaster, Mass.

H. W. COTTRELL.

### SPECIAL MENTION.

I WISH to make a correction in my article in last week's GLEANER entitled "Boys' Dormitory." Where I call for additional funds to the amount of one thousand five hundred dollars, it should be two thousand five hundred dollars.

H. W. COTTRELL.

### HEALTH FOODS.

Edward W. Coates, 249 W. 15th St., New York City, is agent for the Sanitas Nut Foods, and Battle Creek Sanitarium Health Foods, also New York agent for Ko-nut, a pure vegetable substitute for animal fats, and all kinds of Nuts, Dried Vegetables and Fruits, also dealer in special Health-food Flour (wholewheat), etc. Freight paid a limited distance on orders of \$5 and upward.

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