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

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"I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU."

I DARE not ask a mansion in the skies,
With springing towers and widening roofs
extended,
Ten thousand ecstasies for mind and eyes,
A palace and a home superbly blended;
But only for a room, a little room,
In some remotest hiding-place of heaven,
Where I may meditate my rightful doom,
And God's dear grace unearned, so freely
given.

I dare not ask a place at thy right hand,
O Majesty! O Infinite in glory!
When John and David, Paul and Peter stand,
And angels and archangels bow before
thee;
But only for a place, the smallest place,
Upon a road where sometimes thou art
going,
That I may wait for glimpses of thy face,—
This be my prayer, O God, and thy be-
stowing!

—Amos R. Wells.

THE SIN OF REJECTING LIGHT.

(Concluded.)

THE Jews pursued their course of rejecting Christ until, in their self-deceived, deluded state, they thought that in crucifying him they were doing God a service. Thus it will be with all who resist the entreaties of the Spirit of God, and persist in doing what they know to be wrong. The Spirit once resisted, there will be less difficulty in resisting it a second time. If we maintain the independ-

ence of the natural heart, and refuse the correction of God, we shall, as did the Jews, stubbornly carry out our own purposes and ideas in the face of the plainest evidence, and shall be in danger of as great deception as came on them. In our blind infatuation we may go to as great lengths as they did, and yet flatter ourselves that we are doing work for God. Those who continue in this course will reap what they have sown. They were afforded a shelter, but they refused it. The plagues of God will fall, and he will prevent them not.

God never compels a man to offend and be lost. We read that he hardened the heart of Pharaoh, king of Egypt, and that Pharaoh refused to let Israel go. Did God strengthen and confirm the king in his obstinacy? —No, he simply allowed the seeds of unbelief to produce their fruit; and the seed sown when the first miracle was rejected, produced a harvest of infidelity. God left the king to the inclinations of his own heart.

The great I AM acquainted Pharaoh with his mighty works, showing him that he was the ruler of heaven and earth. But the king chose to defy the God of heaven. He would not consent to break his proud heart even before the King of kings, that he might receive the light; for he was deter-

mined to have his own way, and work out his own rebellion. His proud disregard of God's command, "Let my people go," confirmed him in his determination not to yield, though evidence was piled upon evidence; and every additional evidence of the power of God that the Egyptian monarch resisted, carried him on to a stronger and more persistent defiance of God. Thus the work went on, finite man warring against the expressed will of an infinite God. This case is a clear illustration of the sin against the Holy Ghost. "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Gradually the Lord withdrew his Spirit. Removing his restraining power, he gave the king into the hands of the worst of all tyrants,—self.

In this our day the sin of the Pharisees is being repeated. Many are turning from light, refusing to listen to the warning of God's Spirit. But by closing the heart to divine impressions, we put away the forgiveness which our Redeemer is so graciously offering to us. By rejecting mercy and truth, we prepare for a course of resistance which, if followed, will continue till we have no power to do otherwise. A point is reached where the most pointed appeals are without effect. The desire to submit to God and to do his will is no longer felt.

The spiritual senses become dulled. Darkness is the result, and how great is that darkness!

The Holy Spirit strives with every man. It is the voice of God speaking to the soul. But let that voice be resisted, and we, like the Pharisees, shall stifle conviction and resist evidence, however plain. God will give us up, and we shall be left to our own inclinations.

Jesus declares to us that there is a greater sin than that which caused the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah. It is the sin of those who have had the light of truth, and are not moved to repentance. It is the sin of rejecting the light of the most solemn message of mercy to the world. It is the sin of those who see Jesus in the wilderness of temptation, bowed down as with mortal agony because of the sins of the world, and yet are not moved to thorough repentance. Christ fasted nearly six weeks to overcome, in behalf of man, the indulgence of appetite, and vanity, and the desire for display and worldly honor. He has shown us how we may overcome as he overcame; but it is not pleasant to human nature to endure conflict and reproach, derision and shame, for his sake. It is not agreeable to deny self, and to be ever seeking to do good to others. It is not pleasant to overcome as Christ overcame; and many turn away from the Pattern which is plainly given them to copy, and refuse to imitate the example that the Saviour came from the heavenly courts to set for them.

It will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for those who have had our privileges, and the great light which shines in our day, but who have neglected to follow the light and to give their hearts fully to God.

"I am come a light into the world," said Christ, "that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness." "Walk while ye have the light, lest darkness come upon you; for he that walketh in darkness knoweth not

whither he goeth." The light will indeed become darkness to those who do not walk in it; but it will shine with increasing brightness on the path of those who do walk in it. "The path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

WILL YOU HAVE IT?

If your neighbors were day by day using and enjoying something that you could see was imparting to them life and health, vigor and happiness, would you not desire to secure and use the same thing?

How we enjoy the company of those who are wide-awake, active and energetic, cheerful and hopeful all the while. The Seventh-day Adventist family who has our good church paper the *Review and Herald*, has the spiritual food that, if properly digested and assimilated, will bring the spiritual results named above. This is not saying that other periodicals may not have a similar effect. But we are talking about our good church paper the *Review*. No family of our people should be without it.

You may say I can not afford it. The fact is you can not afford to be without it. How many of us spend more money annually for things we do not need than the price of the *Review*. The articles from Sister White alone are worth many times the price of the paper if we heed them, besides the valuable matter from the pen of others. If there is a family of our people in Vermont who do not have the *Review*, I hope they will carefully consider the matter, and plan to have it very soon. Do not be satisfied until you have its weekly visits.

For about thirty years this paper has been a welcome visitor at the home of the writer. We do not feel that we can possibly get along without it. The trumpet is certainly given a certain sound in this dear old paper.

As we draw nearer and nearer to the end of time, it will become more and more necessary that every one should know for him or herself the truths of the third angel's message; hence let us have our church paper, and keep informed in regard to every advance step that is taken by this people.

J. W. WATT.

A TRIBUTE.

The following is a paragraph quoted from a half-column editorial that appeared in the Melrose *Free Press* after the close of our camp-meeting:

"The speakers of both sexes have been earnest, thoughtful, and eloquent, and have presented the themes peculiar to their belief in such a manner as to not only reenforce the faith of their followers, but also furnish thought for those who are seekers for truth in the present day as promulgated from so many pulpits and platforms. There is to be said in commendation of the Second Adventists, that they are close students of the Bible, and follow in their lives the precepts they so diligently extract from its pages."

It certainly should be a source of gratitude to every Seventh-day Adventist, that the Lord has made us depositaries of this precious truth, and, too, that the world is recognizing the fact, for this editorial says that we "furnish thought for those who are seekers for truth in the present day as promulgated from so many pulpits and platforms."

May the Lord help us to keep the error all winnowed out of our faith, so that we can give the "seekers for truth" the pure and unadulterated word. May the time hasten when these last words of the editorial that I have quoted will be verified in the lives of Seventh-day Adventists,— "follow in their lives the precepts they so diligently extract from its [the Bible's] pages,"—for then the Lord will come to take his people home.

K. C. RUSSELL.

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

REPORT ON MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.*

1. *We recommend*, That a mighty missionary campaign be inaugurated this fall which shall know no cessation until this gospel of the kingdom is carried to every nation, tongue, and people, and that such varied and effective plans be developed in every conference and church as will assign a specific place in this movement to every man, woman, and child among us.

OUTLINE OF THE PLAN.

2. That this campaign be introduced in the following manner:

(a) By devoting the month of November principally to the circulation of periodicals and tracts, and the month of December to the sale of "Object Lessons," "Story of Joseph," and such other literature as may be adapted to the development of interests already created.

(b) That missionary conventions of all our churches everywhere be held on Sabbath, October 29, and Sabbath, November 26. On the first Sabbath, October 29, the following topics should be considered:

A Call to Service, Mrs. E. G. White. Continuance in Well-doing, A. G. Daniells. Best Ways of Using Periodicals and Tracts, various writers. Our Young People: Their Privileges and Responsibilities, M. E. Kern.

In the second convention, Sabbath, November 26, consideration should be given to the following topics:

Dedicated Literature, W. C. White. The Development of House-to-House Workers, H. H. Hall. Mission of Our Large Books, E. R. Palmer. Family Bible Studies and How to Conduct Them, S. N. Haskell.

3. That the readings and a suggestive program together with detailed

plans for the campaign be published in the *Review*; and in order that this essential information and the valuable instruction and interesting reports from the world-wide field which this paper contains may be studied by all our people,

We recommend, That during the month of October, the librarians, church-elders, and conference laborers seek to place it in the home of every Sabbath-keeper.

FOLLOWING UP WORK.

4. To make this movement most effective and economical,

We recommend, That special attention be given to the work of following up every effort made by securing yearly subscriptions to our periodicals, holding family Bible studies, making missionary visits, etc.

MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN SUPPLIES.

5. That the periodicals to be given particular prominence be the Third Angel's Message series of the *Signs of the Times*, the special Signs number of the *Southern Watchman*, and such special issues of *Life and Health*, and our foreign papers as may be announced later.

6. Among the tracts, the use of which we would suggest, are "The Last Generation Message," "Heralds of His Coming," "Waymarks to the Holy City," "Who Changed the Sabbath?" *Family Bible Teacher*, and the new envelope series of the religious liberty leaflets.

7. We suggest the following books as particularly appropriate in this movement as they may be used anywhere and at any time without consultation with the canvassing agent: "Object Lessons," "Story of Joseph," "Education," "Mount of Blessing," "Things Foretold," "Cobblestones," "Thoughts on Daniel" (paper), "Thoughts on the Revelation" (paper), "Great Nations of To-day," "Little Folks' Bible Nature," "Sunshine at Home" (in foreign languages), "Steps to Christ," and "Power for Witnessing."

ORGANIZATION.

8. The president, missionary secretary, conference agent and superintendent of young people's work be recognized as a committee in each conference to direct this campaign; but in view of the necessity of immediate action, we urge each church-elder and librarian to begin this work at once.

ARE YOU READY?

WHEN a great work is to be accomplished, or a great battle is to be fought, the necessary preparation is made to insure success, or at least success is the aim of every one who is engaged in the struggle. In a well-disciplined army of soldiers, every one is ready to spring into action and do his best, when the bugle sounds to call them into line.

There is now a call to that division of the Lord's army commissioned to carry the *third angel's message*, to fall into line for active service in the fall and winter campaign of sowing seeds of truth everywhere by the use of our excellent literature. I wonder if every soldier in Company Vermont, of the northeastern battalion of the Lord's army in the United States of America, is ready for immediate action.

"Hear the call! O gird your armor on;
Grasp the Spirit's mighty Sword,
Take the helmet of salvation,
Pressing on to battle for the Lord."

We are glad to say that some of our good soldiers are preparing for action. One church has sent an order for more than seventy-five sets of the special *Signs* soon to be issued. We hope all our Vermont churches will take hold of this *Signs* work in earnest, and not only of the work with the *Signs*, but that they will take hold with commendable zeal to scatter tracts, pamphlets, and books. The books, of course, must be sold.

An effort will soon be made to restrict our liberties; hence now is the time to scatter widely the religious liberty literature.

*Actions taken by the General Conference Committee council, at College View, September 18, 1904.

As a people we should be on the alert, watching every opportunity to get the light of truth before the world. Some can be reached by one class of literature, others by something else. By a living, daily connection with God, we shall be able to do the right thing at the right time. What a great privilege it is to be "a laborer together with God." The Lord is ready to do his part and to close up the work in the earth speedily, if we are ready to cooperate with him.

Let us not sit idly by wishing that we might do some great work for the Lord, but let us take hold of the first thing that presents itself, and do that faithfully. Then other opportunities will present themselves, and thus the faithful soul will find plenty to do.

We greatly desire that during the present campaign much literature of various kinds shall be placed in the homes of the people of Vermont. This can be done if we all do what we can. Some have embraced the truth during the past year here in Vermont by reading our publications. May the Lord help every one to act well his part.

J. W. WATT.

MISSIONARY CAMPAIGN.
Virginia.

OUR people will be getting instruction through the *Review*, and otherwise, regarding the missionary effort to be made in all the churches this fall and winter. It will be seen that the special numbers of the *Signs* and other material will be used in this campaign. Surely it will be an opportune time for all to have a part in the circulation of our literature. The Lord has ordered and arranged in this great work in the earth that there is work for each one—even the children. We have literature prepared for use to suit every condition and circumstance in life. The prices range to suit all. We hope that the elders of our churches will plan with the officers

of the church to make this effort a most profitable one. Thousands of our books and millions of pages of literature should be circulated this fall and winter in the "Old Dominion." God has given to us the light of his truth for this age. Shall we hide that light under a bushel?—God forbid. Let us all go to work now. Delay not a moment. Call the officers of each church together and lay plans at once for a vigorous effort. One good way to help others to see the light of truth is to use the *Family Bible Teacher* in the study of the message. Write to the tract society department for information concerning this method.

We call the attention of our people also to the fact that we now have a State canvassing agent in the field. This agent will have charge of our territory and work in this department. The person chosen to fill this place is Brother W. H. Zeidler, of Pennsylvania. He has just entered upon his duties in this conference, and we trust that there will be many who will avail themselves of his instruction and who will enter the field this fall. His address is 1300 North 28th Street, Richmond, Va. Brother Zeidler will talk with you through the *GLEANER* from week to week, and we trust that his talks in this way will arouse such an interest that you will want him to come and talk "face to face," and thus go to work at once in the vineyard of the Lord. Our churches and people will receive instruction from time to time through the papers and by circular letters, and thus we hope to move on in the work unitedly for God and his kingdom. Let us hear from you at once. Praying that the blessing of the Lord will rest upon you, I am yours in the work,

R. D. HOTEL.

"Thy life in me be shown!
Lord, I would henceforth seek
To think and speak
Thy thoughts, thy words alone,
No more my own!"

The FIELD

WILLIAMSPORT, PENNSYLVANIA.

DOUBTLESS our brethren and sisters have long looked for a report from the tent company in Williamsport, and we would at once assure you that this long delay upon our part has not been because we have had nothing to report. On the contrary, our time and interest have been so fully occupied in the field that for the time we lost sight of all else. God has wondrously blessed us, multiplying the seed sown, and increasing the fruits of righteousness at every step of the way.

At the very beginning of the work, when selecting a site for the tent, we realized that God had a chosen people in Williamsport, who were to be called out of Babylon, for the enemy was so persistent in withholding from us the use of desirable locations. Then the guiding hand of God was seen as he located us on a pretty grass-plot in a strong Catholic community near the St. Boniface church and school. Although the pitching of the tent was ignored by both children and adults, on the evening of June 28, we opened the song service in hope and courage, knowing that God had thus far led, and that he would be with us to the end. The Lord sent out the people to hear the Word, and while our congregations were not large, with the exception of Sunday nights, they were composed of honest souls seeking truth, who were seen in their places night after night. Two or three families were so eager to hear the truth that they came a distance of four miles (one way) almost every night in the week, among whom was the family of eight mentioned later.

The Lord wonderfully blessed in the presentation of his word, giving liberty to the speaker, and causing the hearts of the hearers to become as fallow ground, until those who came out

of curiosity, with a determination to see and not hear, were won by the truth. As the testing truths were presented, the congregations steadily increased, and even the Catholics would assemble outside the tent, and listen with interest. Much of their prejudice was removed, as was evinced by their offers to help us in any way they could at time of storms. Three afternoons of each week children's meetings were held, which were quite largely attended by Catholic children, and we trust that the seed sown in their hearts will bring forth fruit to the glory of God.

The last service in the tent was held August 28, when the largest congregation we had had at any time was present to hear the plain testimony of God's word respecting the New Testament Sabbath. Since that time, we have been holding services in the chapel, and pushing the work in the homes of the people. As the seed has been sown, God has not failed to give the increase, and we now have twenty-eight Sabbath-keepers, including one family of eight. Eight of this number are men, and one of these brethren has been driven from his home because of his loyalty to God. Four souls who had long known the truth and grieved the Spirit of God by their resistance, have ceased the struggle, entered into a covenant with God, and are now living in the light of his countenance. We also have three colored sisters, one being the matron of the Home for Aged Colored Ladies. These sisters are an honor to the cause of truth, and will be instrumental in spreading the truth among their own people. Twenty-six have been baptized. Six of this number were rebaptisms. Still others will be buried with their Lord next Sabbath. Fifteen have already united with the church, and others will do so later.

Since the tent was taken down, several have become interested in the truth, who we feel confident will stand on the Lord's side ere many days

pass. They are now in the valley of decision. Almost daily we are finding precious souls who are seeking truth, and it is our purpose to continue the work, making the winter season one of earnest work and victory. It is God who has given the victory, and knowing that he is "the same yesterday, today, and forever," we ask you to join with us in the prayer that he will more fully magnify and make honorable his law in this city.

W. H. SMITH,
NELLIE B. UNDERWOOD,
ALBERT SHOLDER.

Sept. 18, 1904.

NARUNA, VA.

My wife and I came to this place and began tent meetings September 2. We have had a good attendance and the best of order. Fourteen are keeping the Sabbath of the Lord. Brother and Sister Campbell make sixteen. May the Lord have all the glory. Others are in the valley of decision. I think by the time this reaches you many others will have taken their stand with God's people.

We are happy in the Lord to see old people obey the truth. Please send us papers and tracts.

C. B. RULE.

CHESAPEAKE CONFERENCE.

OUR tent meetings at Laurel, Md., closed just before the bad storm that did so much damage throughout this section. I have labored entirely alone this summer, having only my family with me. At the very starting of our meetings, we knew there was something that was holding the people. After a time we found out that there had been a tent there for two years before us, and that it was run by an independent Sabbath-keeper, of Baltimore. He is not working in harmony with the denomination, although he believes in most points of the truth. This made the work very hard for us,

but we did not feel like giving up the work till we had given the people a good chance to hear. A few only came out, but, as they seemed interested, we decided to hold on a while and see if we could not win some.

Only two, as far as we know, have come out fully and taken their stand for the truth. We hope that a few others will yet follow. The two who have come out we hope to see develop into good workers in the cause. Brother Sherman has already entered the canvassing field, and his wife will doubtless soon go out with him. He is having good success to start with, and I hope he will continue to press forward in the good work. Pray for him that he may be able to sow many seeds of truth, and at last see many souls gathered as the result of his work.

I am now preparing to move my family to Takoma Park, D. C., that my children may have the benefit of a church school. After the first of October, my address will be Takoma Park, D. C.

O. O. FARNSWORTH.

PHILADELPHIA.

AFTER an effort of nearly thirteen weeks, we had our closing service on Sunday evening, September 11. We are glad to report that fifteen are walking in the light of truth as a result of this season's tent effort.

The Lord has been very good to us. There were some new and unpleasant experiences for us this year. Individuals who cherished feelings of hatred against the truth and those who proclaimed it, influenced the boys to annoy us all they could and also to injure the tent; but the Lord cared for his own, and the tent received very little injury.

A minister who is reported as being successful in keeping people from obeying the truth, was sent for by a church near by, to preach against us. He did so, and we answered him, suc-

cessfully, it seems, for he did not speak the second time, as he had announced to do. However, last Sunday evening, after the tent was down, thinking we should have no opportunity to answer him, he preached against us again; but we learned of it; had some one there to take his sermon; and will answer him at the hall next Sunday evening. This last time his remarks were largely confined to a tirade against me, personally, and I fear I am a weak argument for Sunday keeping, but perhaps no weaker than biblical authority.

Another new experience for us was a debate at the tent on the last Sunday afternoon, which we could not well avoid. Although my opponent presented an unusually good argument, yet error is so plainly seen, when contrasted with God's word, that those who were undecided before, were now convinced that we had the truth.

Brethren Herlinger and Hilgert have assisted me as tent-master and chorister.

Our services will be held in Gracey's Hall, corner of Fifty-second and Haverford Streets. The Sabbath-school is at 1:30, and preaching at 2:30 P. M., on Sabbath, and on Sunday at 7:45 P. M.

MORRIS LUKENS.

BOSTON FIELD.

WEDNESDAY evening, the 21st inst., a terrible dynamite explosion took place at the corner of Main Street and Wyoming Avenue, Melrose, about two minutes' walk from our house, which resulted in the death of nine persons, and the injury of others who were on board the ill-fated street-car from Boston that was blown to pieces. The explosion was caused by the car's running into a fifty-pound box of dynamite that had fallen from an express-wagon. Those who were in attendance at the Melrose camp-meeting will recall the location of the accident.

One of our brethren had intended to come on the car that was wrecked, but fortunately was hindered, and my daughter and I providentially came on a car from the city shortly before the disaster occurred.

This disaster is but another to be added to the rapidly increasing list which are occurring in these perilous times, showing that our Lord is soon coming. It also emphasizes the fact of the great uncertainty of human life, and consequently the need of being constantly in a condition of readiness to meet our Saviour.

Last week, while we were visiting a family in Dorchester, a young man, twenty-three years of age, gave his heart to the Lord. This would not have taken place had there not been a personal and earnest appeal made to him. We feel to praise the Lord for the evidences that we are daily seeing of his converting power among men.

K. C. RUSSELL.

FROM LOUISIANA.

ELEVEN months have passed since I came to Louisiana from Maine. The Lord blessed my efforts at Hayes where I baptized ten good souls and organized a church of twenty.

The tent meetings here at Jennings have been in progress for five weeks. We praise God that already seven adults have taken a firm stand with us, and many others are deeply interested.

The hottest weather this summer has been less oppressive than the hot summer days in New England. The summers are long, and we weary somewhat of the continuous warm weather. Tent meetings can be continued through the winter months with no discomfort.

It is with much interest that we read each week of the progress of the work in Maine. We are praying that much fruit may result from Elder Gilbert's efforts at Caribou.

I take advantage of this opportunity

to inform our dear friends in Maine that while they feared that Mrs. Dexter and our older daughter would lose their health in Louisiana, the opposite has been their experience. Mrs. Dexter has gained in flesh and in strength, and little Pamela is very well and happy in this beautiful southland, amidst fields of rice, cotton, and sugar-cane.

Christian greeting to our dear brethren and sisters in Maine.

HERBERT H. DEXTER.

FALMOUTH, MAINE.

IT was the privilege of the writer to attend a social meeting at Falmouth, Maine, Sabbath before last. About forty, old and young, were assembled in a private house. The majority of those present were Danes and Norwegians, but the Spirit of the Lord was manifest in a special manner. The key-note of the meeting was individual consecration to God and to his work. The simple testimonies from the heart, and the fervent responses, gave evidence of a unity, humility, and earnestness well-pleasing to our heavenly Father.

One of those present, who for months has been praying and working for the soldiers at Fort Preble, had the pleasure of seeing a young sergeant take his stand firmly for the truth. This young man has made up his mind, as the way may open, to connect himself with some one of our institutions, there to fit himself for more efficient work for God. His mother consecrated him when a child to the ministry. He was converted, and for a number of years was a "slum worker" in a great city; but after he entered the army, his course was downward, and he feels very thankful that the message for our day has arrested his attention and turned his thoughts heavenward. It was by a seemingly trivial circumstance that Sister Clifford, the lady who invited him to the meeting, first obtained his

name; but the labor that followed has been carefully and prayerfully planned, and the instruction, by means of books, papers, and word of mouth, has been very thorough. Surely God leads those who give themselves up to be used. Let us all take courage.

E. H. MORTON.

SAYVILLE, L. I.

ON September ten, I organized a church of fifteen members at Sayville. The Sabbath-school has thirty members. The prejudice is very high, and there is considerable opposition. The Methodist minister has been preaching on the Sabbath question, and I have been reviewing him. I hope for more fruit later.

L. H. PROCTOR.

BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

It is quite out of my line to report through the columns of the *GLEANER*, but of late I have been thinking that perhaps it is due the people of the Southern New England Conference that I make them acquainted with the facts concerning the work in this place.

Bridgeport is a city of about eighty-five thousand inhabitants, nearly eighty per cent. of whom are of foreign parentage, and sixty-five per cent. are of actual foreign birth. It is the third city in point of population in Connecticut, but no work has been done here with the exception of canvassing, until two years ago the past summer. Then a tent meeting was held, which resulted in a few taking hold of the truth. The following winter we moved here, knowing that it was a difficult field, but convinced from what God had told us by his servant, that work ought to be done in these cities that had been neglected.

At the last spring meeting, we felt that a tent ought to be in Bridgeport during the summer, but it was decided otherwise by the committee, and plans were made for working with literature,

Signs, Family Bible Teacher, etc. As the conference did not feel that they could invest in this literature, we took the responsibility personally of securing one hundred sets of the *Family Bible Teacher*, which we immediately began distributing among that number of families, where some member of the family was a Sunday-school teacher. From the very beginning, we found that without exception all were much interested in the readings, and in most cases the interest has continued to the present time. We have now distributed eleven numbers, and in our last visit to them, found many that are seeing new light and truth in the Bible as a result of this work. This is so apparent, that we feel as if it would be a great mistake to drop this line of the work. As we were told at camp-meeting, by Sister White, we have found

the city work in Connecticut a hard field, but the word was, "It will take a great deal of patience, but if you continue, and hold on in faith, you will see results." We expect to see many souls rejoicing in the truth as a result of this work, if it is continued as it ought to be. The *Family Bible Teacher* is one of the best ways we have ever seen of working among such a population as we have to meet here.

After this line of work was fairly started, we were surprised, about the middle of the summer, to learn that the tent had been shipped here, and arrangements made for us to have a brother for a tent-master, but no other workers. At first it seemed inadvisable to begin so late in the season, in so large a place, with so little help; but, knowing that we had the Captain of the Lord's host with us, we decided to begin the work, trusting in him. July 31 was our first meeting. From the beginning we saw many evidences that the Lord was with us, and although the attendance was small, the same ones came almost continuously, which indicated an interest to follow it up. We continued our meetings till camp-meeting, just four weeks, and then,

owing to cool evenings, decided it was best not to continue longer. We know of six persons who have begun keeping the Sabbath since the tent was pitched, most of them a direct result of the effort; but owing to the shortness of the time, we have not been able to present all of the special features of this message to them. We have no doubt that they will fully walk in the further light that the Lord has for them.

During the course of the tent meetings, the leading daily papers of the city published full reports of the services at the tent, printing verbatim anything that we sent them. Thus the straitest truths of the message have reached many who did not come to the tent. We know of several who are now interested in the truth by this means.

For some time the word from God has been that our people did not appreciate as they ought the importance of working in these large American cities. Believing this, we know that now is the time to work here, and we are convinced that if this work is followed up, a good company will be raised up who will stand in the kingdom of God. If we draw back in the least, we shall be correspondingly guilty before God. If we should leave his work with the families who are now reading the *Family Bible Teacher*, it would create a bad influence, as we have given them to understand that it would be continued through the whole set of readings. And if those who have just begun to observe the Lord's Sabbath should be left without full instruction, they would become scattered, and would be in a worse condition than if we had not held the tent meeting. It seems imperative that this work be carried on to a conclusion, and that we press the battle to the gate.

We know that the Lord has gone out before us, and is still working, and we ask our brethren and sisters to join their prayers with ours that this work

may still go on, and that many souls may be saved from this city. "Brethren, pray for us."

SUMNER A. WHITTIER.

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WANTED.—A MAN.

HOW OFTEN we see upon the door of a large establishment this sign: "Wanted.—A man to fill an important position." Little attention do we give to this appeal aside from a careless glance. And yet, the world is full of signs announcing the need of men. The fact in the case is, the appeals for men and women are so numerous that they receive from us only a moment's notice.

The world is dying both a physical and a spiritual death, and it is to rescue the perishing that men are needed. But you say, "Why is a call made for men when so many are all around us?" Reader, it is true there are many human beings around us, but oh, how few are men! The keen eye, the stylish dress, and the beauty of form, do not make the man. Satan, the greatest deceiver the world ever saw, is even to-day a beautiful being in appearance. Many of the world's greatest rogues present an attractive exterior. The Bible says, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Never were truer words spoken than these. Polish may cover the dross for awhile, but time will surely reveal it.

The men that are needed are men with a character to back them that no one can say aught against. Men are wanted who in the face of defeat will gain a victory. There is a crying demand for men who will remain true to principle under all circumstances. How often we hear persons say their principles forbid their doing so and so. How often we hear young men say, "Such things are against my principles," and yet, these very young men,

when out of sight of friends, give themselves over to a violation of the very principles they previously professed to believe. O consistency, thou art a jewel! I admire the young man who, though out of sight of father and mother, sister and brother, when tempted to sin, says, "I will not violate principle," and stands there firm as a rock.

Reader, did you ever stop to think that the only thing that keeps this world alive is the fact that there are some men and women in it? I mean men and women in the true sense of the word. How thankful the sinner ought to be that God has preserved men and women in this world! It gives him a chance to turn from his evil ways, and seek truth. How many young people are willing and anxious to become men and women, as they have been defined? Surely, there is great need of such to-day.

Reader, young man, young woman, in the face of the numerous signs of, "Wanted.—Men and women," will you not step in and do your part? The men wanted to-day are minute-men, ready at a moment's call. The call has come, and who will respond?

JOHN K. JONES.

READERS FOR THE CHILDREN.

TEACHERS and parents will be glad to know that the first two books in the series of "Bible Readers" are ready for use this fall. Every church school and every home where there are children, should be supplied. "Bible Reader No. 1" sells for thirty-five cents; "Bible Reader Second Year," for forty cents. Part one of the "Bible Reader Third Year" can be obtained from the Advocate Publishing Company for twenty cents. This portion of the book is printed in pamphlet form for use this fall in the church schools.

These readers deal with the stories of the Bible. The vocabulary is built gradually, beginning with a few words

and gradually increasing the number. The three books correlate Bible, nature study, geography, history, language, reading, writing, and spelling. Each is complete in itself.

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RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE CANVASSING WORK.*

SINCE the winter missionary campaign, beginning November 1, has for its object the enlistment of the rank and file of our people in a vigorous forward movement in the circulation of our small publications, and,

As this campaign should develop a large number of successful workers, who by proper encouragement and instruction would become efficient in the regular canvassing work; therefore,

1. *We recommend*, (a) That our conference and church officers and laborers make note of all these workers that give promise of success as canvassers, and that they send their names promptly to the State agent or the State tract society secretary.

(b) That as soon as possible after January 1, a series of canvassing classes be held in every conference into which shall be gathered these newly developed canvassers.

(c) That in large conferences, and where these workers are widely separated, several classes be conducted simultaneously.

(d) That the talent and experience of our successful canvassers be recognized and made use of by selecting from their number those best adapted to give instruction to classes where the State agent can not be present.

(e) That the conference officers arrange for suitable remuneration for

*Adopted by General Conference Committee council, College View, September, 19, 1904.

these instructors while engaged in this class work.

(f) That these classes devote at least half of their time to canvassing, thus putting into immediate use the instruction given.

2. *We recommend*, That all canvassing agents be requested during the months of November and December, to unite with other workers in actual canvassing, to the end that their future work may be thus vivified and strengthened by fresh personal experiences.

REPORTS FROM NEW YORK AGENTS.

DEAR READERS: The past week has been a busy one for us. We have been together since Monday making our delivery, and can truly say we praise the Lord for the success he has given us. Nearly every one was prepared, and seemed anxious to get the books. We also sold a number of "Coming King," "Best Stories," and "Paradise Home." One lady who had ordered one of each of these, bought an extra "Coming King," and also a "Desire of Ages." As she brought the money for "Desire of Ages," she said, "Praise the Lord I have the money."

Another lady who took a copy of "Coming King" said she did not know when she had invested a dollar with which she was better pleased. One lady here in Norwich, who also bought a "Coming King," is quite stirred over the truths it contains. May we have wisdom to present these truths aright.

Fritz A. Evans.

AFTER being in the good work of getting our books among the people for fifteen days of late, I thought some might be interested in my experience. God has greatly blessed one aged lady who is eighty-seven years old. She remembered the falling stars, and said she expected to see Jesus come. She bought a "Bible Readings."

Another lady who was having Bible

studies said she never saw such a wonderful book as "Bible Readings." She wanted one that day, so I went to my boarding-place and got one for her. She then gave an order for more of our good books.

A man eighty-six years old, who lived four miles from where I am canvassing, sent word for me to come to his place as he wanted to see those books. I went praying and praising God, asking his guidance and his help in presenting them. He took three books, and I sold thirty-seven dollars' worth in his locality in fifteen hours.

As I reached the home of Brother and Sister Geers Friday evening,

though much wearied, with feet swollen, I could only praise God for a part to act in this closing work. A hearty welcome from our brethren and sisters lightens the load, even if we work beyond our strength.

Mrs. Andrew Cobb.

GLOUCESTER, MASS.

I THOUGHT you would be interested to know of the success the Lord has given me in the circulation of the books. The last few months I have been able to work only a few hours each week, so I have not taken a large number of orders. But the Lord has

THE BOOK WORK.

Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
*J. A. Heaton, Blair County,		D & R	7	53	17	39.75	15.25	55.00	19.00
L. B. Trowbridge, Pittsburg,		D of A	4	13	1	3.50	2.90	6.40	10.65
Mrs. M. B. Colcord, Coudersport,		LG	4	4	12	13.50	.75	14.25	
Ivor Lawrence, Adams,		BR	4	30	13	31.00	3.75	34.75	2.25
Chas. Peden, Somerset,		BR	1	10	2	5.00	2.00	7.00	
Wilbert Morgan, Washington,		PH	2		6	3.75		3.75	.50
H. P. Morgan, Washington,		GC	3		5	17.75	1.50	19.25	4.50
Arthur C. Harris, Pittsburg,		BR	3	14	7	16.50		16.50	
Totals,	8 Agents,		28	124	63	\$130.75	\$26.15	\$156.90	\$36.90

*Three weeks.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. R. Ebersole, Harrisburg,		D & R	4	30	10	17.50		17.50	8.50
W. T. Hilgert, Philadelphia,		GC	4	20	2	5.25	5.20	10.45	12.15
Lille Minier, Scranton,		CK	4	22			1.50	1.50	31.75
Minnie Minier, Scranton,		CK	4	16	2	2.00	4.25	6.25	15.25
Harry Minier, Scranton,		CK	5	36	3	3.00	1.75	4.75	42.25
A. H. Osman, Williamstown,		CK	1	6	2	2.00	2.25	4.25	29.75
Walter Garrett, Peckville,		CK	5	27	18	18.00	2.25	20.25	
Totals,	7 Agents,		27	157	37	\$47.75	\$17.20	\$64.95	\$139.65

New York Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Fritz A. Evans, Guilford,		CK			1	1.50		1.50	
Chas. M. Cottrell,		CK			3	4.50		4.50	52.75
G. F. Evans, Norwich,		H of M		34	9	11.75	12.00	23.75	6.50
A. H. Osborn,		H of M		6			1.25	1.25	
Mrs. Andrew Cobb,		BR		40	5	12.25	24.00	36.25	25.00
Totals,	5 Agents,			80	18	\$30.00	\$37.25	\$67.25	\$84.25

opened the doors of the homes to receive the truth, for in making twenty-two calls, I have been blessed with twenty-three orders. I call this something remarkable for any agent to do, if the Lord did not go before and open the doors and take the orders for him.

I believe the time has come when the book work should be pushed. Why do we not believe the Testimonies, and go forth and open the pages of truth to the hungry souls that the Lord has prepared for his servants to feed? It is not hard. We all know it is easy to feed any living creature when he is exceedingly hungry. So it is with those who are looking for the bread of heaven.

I believe the Lord will bless every God-fearing canvasser, as he goes from home to home with the purpose of leaving the message with the people.

F. A. LODGE.

"Be ready always with a reason for your hope."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

BOSTON FIELD.

—Sister Louise Thompson expects to leave soon for California.

—Sister Sands, of Philadelphia, recently spent a few weeks in visiting friends in Boston.

—Sister Susie Martin has left for New Hampshire, where she will engage in teaching school.

—Brother Chapin Harris and family will soon move to Connecticut, where they will locate on a large farm.

—The Malden company of Sabbath-keepers will resume their Sabbath services at 33 Magnolia Street, Malden.

—Brother H. T. Cross will locate at 39 Irving Street, West Somerville, where he will continue in the canvassing work.

—Brother and Sister Passebois are

billed to give a lecture in Tremont Temple on Egypt, Wednesday evening, September 28.

—At the conclusion of a recent Sunday evening sermon on the subject of tithing, a brother paid the treasurer of the Boston church \$50 in tithes.

—Sister Nickerson and family, of Dorchester, will soon move to Pembroke, Mass., on to a farm. Let the good work go on in getting out of the cities.

—Sister Persons, of Attleboro, has recently returned from Battle Creek, Mich., where she has been studying hygienic dressmaking, and will now take up that line of work in this field. Let all of our sisters learn this art.

—Brother Alexandria, of Meadville, Pa., was in attendance at a recent Sabbath service in Boston. It was a satisfaction to meet this brother, whom I had not seen since he embraced the truth several years ago when Elder L. S. Wheeler and I held a series of meetings in his city.

—Sister Steel, the superintendent of the home for needy children in Chattanooga, Tenn., attended our services in Boston, on Sabbath, the 17th inst., and had with her three children from her home. It was remarkable to see the ability that was displayed by two of these little ones only four and five years of age, in repeating Scripture and Bible facts.

K. C. RUSSELL.

Central New England Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
H. T. Cross, Malden,		D of A	4	28	1	3.50	2.00	5.50	71.25
G. H. Clark, Adams,		C K	3	19	14	14.00	4.50	18.50	70.00
C. E. Mattison, Everett,		D of A	4	27	1	2.50	13.00	15.50	1.25
Totals,	3 Agents,		11	74	16	\$20.00	\$19.50	\$39.50	\$142.50

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
R. C. Andrews, Plainville, Conn., Misc									40.00
H. C. Wilcox, New Britain, Conn., Misc							3.00	3.00	36.00
Totals,	2 Agents,						\$3.00	\$3.00	\$76.00

Chesapeake Conference, Week Ending September 16, 1904

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. R. Sherman, Laurel, Md.,		B R	4	26	5	13.25		13.25	16.50
Totals,	1 Agent,		4	26	5	\$13.25		\$13.25	16.50

U. C. Totals September 16,	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
26 Agents,	70	455	159	\$241.75	\$103.10	\$324.85	\$495.80
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
20 Agents,	69	378	111	\$177.65	\$101.99	\$279.64	\$262.65

VERMONT.

—Brother Wright Boardman, of North Wolcott, is attending school at South Lancaster (Mass.) Academy.

—We understand that Elder Purdon is laboring in Bennington, where there has been some interest for more than a year. We trust there will be much fruit at this place.

—We are mailing the report blanks from Hardwick, and trust each church officer will return reports to the office

promptly, according to specifications on the blanks.

—Remember the collection next Sabbath, October 1, for the Haskell Home. We solicit the cooperation of all according to your ability to send the donations in early, that they may be forwarded to the Home.

—You will notice a nice list of "helps" given on the front leaf of your *Sabbath School Quarterly*, and we trust each one will avail himself of the timely tracts, both for helps on the lessons and for general missionary work.

—As we reported a few weeks ago, we remained at Hardwick to assist in the work, and hence kept the conference and tract society work at that place. As the meetings are now closed for this year, and we are returning to Burlington, we ask the patience of all to be manifested, and please send all mail to the office from now on.

F. M. DANA.

VIRGINIA.

—Elder R. D. Hottel, of New Market, and Elder B. F. Purdham, of Stanleyton, attended the West Virginia camp-meeting at Clarksburg. Elder Purdham will labor in that conference for the present.

—W. H. Zeidler, our canvassing agent, is permanently located at 1300 North 28th St., Richmond, Va. We are glad to welcome him to our conference, and hope to see the important branch of the work under his charge take new life, and advance in the spread of the message.

—A sister who can spend only a part of her time in the canvassing work, writes: "I praise God that I have had the opportunity of working for him in the way of spreading the printed page among my neighbors and friends. The Lord is good to let us have a part in his work. The people are well pleased with our books. I praise his name for what he is doing for me."

—Another sister writes: "I am happy in the Lord, and am pleased to have a part in the blessed work of the last days. I do not have much time to spare, but will do all I can; for my heart is in the work."

A. M. NEFF.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE NOTICE.

UNION meetings are hereby announced for Allentown, September 29 to October 2, and for Carbondale, October 13-16. We trust that all the brethren and sisters within reasonable distance of these two places will plan to attend, so that these may truly be union meetings. The writer will assist Elder J. H. Schilling in the Allentown services, and Elder S. S. Shrock at Carbondale. We expect to arrange for Elder J. H. Krum, who has spent five years as a missionary in Asia Minor, Syria, and Palestine, to attend the Allentown meeting.

W. J. FITZGERALD.

INVEST A STAMP TO SAVE AN INFIDEL.

THERE are thousands who have been driven into infidelity by the popular hell fire doctrine, and other perversions of Bible truth. God loves these people, and will bless our efforts to bring the Bible before them in its original and fascinating beauty. With that end in view, we shall issue the

November *Life Boat* as a special number for infidels and skeptics. We should not despair of leading many of this class to the feet of the Master and to the acknowledgment of present truth.

Elder Butler, who was once an infidel, will write his experience for this number, calling the attention of skeptics especially to the study of prophecy. Mrs. E. G. White, S. N. Haskell, W. S. Sadler, and other leading workers, will contribute telling articles for the Book of books, that the Spirit of God may burn into the hearts of many unbelievers. Almost every page will contain the most incontestable evidence of the power of the gospel to transform human lives.

Send us the names and addresses of all the skeptics and infidels with whom you are acquainted, and a two-cent stamp for each, and we will mail them a marked copy of this special number. Or order a number of extra copies at two cents each and distribute them yourself. Do not forget to ask God to water the seed to be sown. The paper will be ready October 20. Address the *Life Boat*, Hinsdale, Ill.

DAVID PAULSON.

SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

Local Mean Time.

1904.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
Oct. 7.....	5:32	5:33	5:34
Oct. 14.....	5:21	5:22	5:24
Oct. 21.....	5:09	5:12	5:14
Oct. 28.....	5:00	5:02	5:05

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SOME canvassers' reports were received too late for this number.

THE recommendations of the General Conference Committee on the canvassing work will be found in another column.

DO NOT forget that Sabbath, October 1, is the regular time for the semi-annual collection for the Haskell Home. Funds are needed now that winter is approaching, in order that these orphan children may not be left without food and fuel. See Prov. 21 : 13.

IN the Missionary Department we give the recommendations passed by the General Conference Committee at its late council in College View, in regard to the fall missionary campaign. Every church-elder, every librarian, and every worker will be interested in reading this report.

BROTHER S. A. WHITTIER wrote on the evening of September 24 : "After writing to you yesterday, I called upon a lady who attended meetings at the tent, and who also attended them two years ago. I learned that she and her sister were both keeping the Sabbath. They take care of their aged mother, and can not come to meeting often.

"In our meeting to-day, a lady with whom I have held readings for some time said that she would keep the Sabbath. We had an excellent spirit in our service this afternoon. We expect to see more results soon."

ATLANTIC UNION GLEANER

CHANGES OF ADDRESS.

THE address of Elder O. O. Farnsworth is Takoma Park, D. C.

THE address of Elder H. J. Farman is Corner of Park Street and Ninth Avenue, Roanoke, Va.

VERMONT, ATTENTION!

AS WE are now returning to the office, we request that all mail for the Vermont Tract Society, Conference, or the writer, be addressed to 190 North Winooski Ave., Burlington.

F. M. DANA,

Secretary and Treasurer.

PERMANENT ADDRESS.

ALL my former acquaintances, and all others who desire to correspond with me in regard to the Master's work, especially the canvassing work in the Virginia Conference, will please address me at 1300 North Twenty-eight Street, Richmond, Va.

W. H. ZEIDLER,

State Agent.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION.

THE churches of Hartford, Willimantic, and Norwichtown will meet in convention at Turnerville next Friday, September 30, and Sabbath, October 1. All others are invited who can arrange to come.

It is expected that Elder Dryer, president of the West Pennsylvania Conference, will be present.

Bring your basket well filled and a quilt for bedding.

THE matter of a school farm is to be settled at this meeting, and Shall we open a school this fall? will be discussed.

If no team is at the Turnerville station for you, *walk down the track, west*, for three-fourths of a mile to the first crossing and first house on the right.

G. E. LANGDON.

GENERAL MEETINGS IN NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made to hold two general meetings in the northeastern part of our conference. The first of these important gatherings will be held in Guernsey's Hall, 318 Washington Avenue, Scranton, Pa., October 6 to 9, at which Elder W. H. Smith is to be present. The second one will be held in Watts' Hall, corner of Main Street and Salem Avenue, Carbondale, Pa., October 13 to 16, where Elder W. J. Fitzgerald's presence is expected. Each meeting will open on Thursday evening and will continue day and evening, including Sunday evening.

It is hoped that as many of our people as possible from northeastern Pennsylvania will attend one or both of these meetings. We need as ministers and people to get together for spiritual upbuilding and for planning to push the work of God's saving truth.

Let all who intend to come write to me as early as possible, addressing me at 908 Harrison Avenue, Scranton, Pa., so that we can arrange for your entertainment. And if you will state the time of the arrival of your train and over which railroad you will come, some one will meet you at the depot.

Let us pray earnestly that God may be with us mightily by the power of his Spirit.

S. S. SHROCK.

As by the light of opening day
The stars are all concealed,
So earthly pleasures fade away
When Jesus is revealed.

—John Newton.

NOTICE.

ALL freight sent to me over the Boston & Maine Railroad should be directed West Street Station, Everett, Mass. Freight over any other road should be addressed Boston, Mass., and notice of the shipment mailed to me.

C. E. PALMER.