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

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## ACTIVITY.

I SOUGHT a crowded thoroughfare  
One pleasant April day,  
To watch the busy passers-by  
And give our bills away.  
My left hand only held the slips  
That bore the blessed news;  
The right was swiftly serving all  
Who did not quite refuse.  
And when at last my task was done  
One arm was stiff and sore;  
'T was not the arm that did the work,  
But that which only bore.  
I thought, How many hold the truth,  
But never give it out,  
Until they faint with weariness,  
And faith is lost in doubt.  
While those who swiftly labor on  
Gain strength from day to day,  
And only seem to stronger grow  
For what they give away.  
Oh, let us work with heart and hand,  
That others, too, may know  
The precious truth that blesses us,  
And we shall stronger grow.

—Jennie E. Owen.

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY.

GOD finally sent his Son to reveal to man the character of the Unseen. Christ came and lived on this earth a life of obedience to God's law. He gave his precious life to save the world, and made his servants his stewards. With the gift of Christ all the treasures of heaven were given to

man. The church was freighted with the food of heaven for starving souls. This was the treasure that the people of God were commissioned to carry to the world. They were faithfully to perform their duty, continuing their work until the message of mercy had encircled the world.

Christ ascended to heaven, and sent his Holy Spirit to give power to the work of his disciples. Thousands were converted in a day. In a single generation the gospel was carried to every nation under heaven. But little by little a change came. The church lost her first love. She became selfish and ease-loving. The spirit of worldliness was cherished. The enemy cast his spell upon those to whom God had given light for a world in darkness,—light which should have shone forth in good works. The world was robbed of the blessings that God desired men to receive.

Is not the same thing repeated in this generation? Many in our day are keeping back that which the Lord has entrusted to them for the salvation of a world unwarned, unsaved. In the word of God an angel is represented as flying in the midst of heaven, "having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying

with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come; and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of water." Rev. 14:6, 7.

The message of Revelation 14 is the message that we are to bear to the world. It is the bread of life for these last days. Millions of human beings are perishing in ignorance and iniquity. But many of those to whom God has committed the stores of life look upon these souls with indifference. Many forget that to them has been entrusted the bread of life for those starving for salvation.

O for consecrated Christians, for Christlike consistency, for the faith that works by love and purifies the soul! May God help us to repent, and change our sluggish movements into consecrated activity. May God help us to show in our words and works that we make the burden of perishing souls our own. Let us be thankful every moment for God's forbearance with our tardy unbelieving movements. Instead of flattering ourselves with the thought of what we have done, after doing so little, we are to labor still more earnestly. We are not to cease our efforts or relax our vigilance. Never is our zeal to grow less. Our spiritual life must be

daily revived by the stream that made glad the city of our God. We must be always on the watch for opportunities to use for God the talents he has given us.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

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## The FIELD

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### WEST PENNSYLVANIA NOTES.

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I WISH to say to the brethren and sisters of the West Pennsylvania Conference that the work is onward in our borders. Souls have been added to our number by our summer's campaign. Elder Longacre's two tent efforts in Washington, Pa., have resulted in adding a number of good souls to the little company there, and they are now planning to build a new church in another part of the city. The old building is in poor condition and in a poor location. We believe the Washington church has started on a new and successful era.

Elder Baieler also had a successful effort in Charleroi.

Elder Schwartz reports eight new Sabbath-keepers from his summer's effort, and several more this fall as he visited the scattered companies.

Elder McVagh is doing a most excellent work among the churches in the northeastern part of the conference where the companies had greatly decreased in numbers during the past few years. We are glad to report that since he has located in their midst the Spirit of God is at work in that part of the conference in a marked way. In several places where the truth was preached years ago new interests are springing up.

In the Erie district the least work has been done the past year. I have not been able to do more than make a few occasional visits, as my other duties would not permit of more. At Erie, however, we baptized four the past summer, and four were added to the church.

It makes one's heart ache to see the many openings for work, and so few to labor in word and doctrine. Our prayer is that the Lord of the harvest will raise up laborers for these needy fields. We are having most excellent general meetings this fall. The spirit of courage and renewed consecration seems to be taking hold of many. Elder McVagh will report the Bradford, Wrights, and Shinglehouse meetings in next week's GLEANER.

Several have pledged to take hold of the "Christ's Object Lessons" work this fall. Brethren and sisters, let us take hold of this in earnest, and finish our quota for the South Lancaster Academy, and then continue the good work till we have a conference industrial school established in our borders. We voted at our last camp-meeting to finish our quota, which would be an average of three books each. Now, dear brethren and sisters, if you do not feel that you can spend the time nor have the talent to dispose of that very small number yourself, just send in \$1.50 to the office to pay our canvassers to sell them for you. Let us clear ourselves of this duty this conference year.

Any one wishing to take up the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" will please write to me at once. We are giving sixty cents commission, and are anxious to finish this work speedily. The academy needs the funds to apply on the debt still resting upon the school.

May God bless us all, and may we go forward with renewed courage in this glorious message.

Yours in the work,

E. J. DRYER.

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### ALBA, PA.

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It was my privilege to attend the general meeting at Roaring Branch, October 27 to 30. It was a meeting long to be remembered as one of the bright spots in our pilgrimage journey towards Mount Zion.

Brethren W. J. Fitzgerald and W. H. Smith were present, and labored faithfully for the Master. The good Spirit of the Lord was present to impress the mind and heart with the truths presented by these brethren. The attendance was not so large as it sometimes is at the general meeting here, owing in part, doubtless, to the fact that some of the young members are working at Washington, D. C., and elsewhere, and but few were present from other churches, as Elders Smith and Fitzgerald were to hold meetings with the brethren at Shunk, Alba, Cherryflats, Nauvoo, etc.

Brother Fitzgerald came to Alba November 1, and held two services. The last one, November 2, was held in the Disciple church. There was quite a congregation present, and a good impression was made. We hope more meetings may be held here in the near future, and that some, at least, may be added to this little vine the Lord has planted, and bear fruit to the glory of his name.

J. L. BAKER.

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### ROCK HALL, MD.

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My visit to this place was much appreciated. It seems that no matter how well officered a church may be, the presence of an ordained minister is needed at shorter intervals than has been the case with this church, to keep it alive to the progress of the work.

They have a fine church school at Rock Hall, and Sister Lula I. Tarbell, the teacher, is alive to the requirements of her work. It is plain to be seen that she has the confidence of her pupils and the cooperation of the parents in her work. The school building is not large enough to accommodate all who want to attend. The question now confronting this people is, What shall we do for room for our increasing numbers?

We trust that our two weeks' stay in Rock Hall has been an encourage-

ment to the church, and has placed them where they feel that they are not altogether forsaken by the conference.

On Sunday two dear souls went forward in baptism and were added to the number that are battling against sin. There seems to be an earnest desire on the part of many to roll back the reproach resting upon our schools.

Great blessings are in store for this people when they meet the mind of the Lord in all that he has revealed to them in the matter of "Christ's Object Lessons." Shall we not stand the test that God has imposed upon us? Work, brethren, work, for the night is coming in which no man can work.

JOHN F. JONES.

November 8.

#### THE BOSTON FIELD.

It is perhaps unnecessary for me to say that the departure of Elder K. C. Russell from the Central New England Conference, and especially from the above-named portion of it, has been a cause of deep regret to the writer, and also to all the members of the conference. But, realizing that "All things work together for good to them that love God," we can thank God even for this (to the natural man) sad circumstance, and send forth our prayers to the end that our dear brother may prove to be even more of a power for good in his new field than he has been with us. I feel, however, that it is proper for me to say a few words concerning his relations here, and especially the work which he had on his hands.

For several years my soul has been stirred, and at times much burdened about the work in these great cities of the East. The work in them is, so to speak, a work by itself. Few laborers, no matter how honest and earnest, seem able to make a real success in this line. Careful training, by the experience of years, seems a necessary element for successful work in our large cities. The city, the people,

the peculiarities of custom and sentiment, how to advertize, how to hold an audience, etc.,—all these things must be carefully studied, and they are often very perplexing questions. Elder Russell had given several years of such study, by real experience; and had shown evidences of ability to succeed.

While Sister White was at our Melrose camp-meeting she spoke emphatically when she said, "The city of Boston must be worked." She also indicated that as yet we had but touched it with the tips of our fingers, as compared with what must be done. We felt stirred by these statements, and Elder Russell stated that he felt a new inspiration to take hold of the work with renewed courage and earnestness. It seemed that additional help should be furnished him, if possible, in pushing the work forward. Our brethren and sisters can, therefore, appreciate somewhat my feelings, when later I learned that Elder Russell had been called to, and had accepted, the chairmanship of the Religious Liberty Bureau, which would separate him from the Boston field entirely.

The only minister left in our conference who had had experience in city work was Elder Lee S. Wheeler, but both he and his wife were filling important positions in the New England Sanitarium. Our committee finally decided that we must ask him to give up his sanitarium work and take the work laid down by Elder Russell. While it meant much for him to do this, I am pleased to state that, in view of the situation, he has done it, and done it willingly; and we expect and believe that the experience he has had in city work in past years will enable him to get hold of the Boston work soon, and press it forward to success. He is taking a few days, visiting among his relatives in Pennsylvania, before fully taking up this work.

Friday night, November 4, I met with the sanitarium family. Some of

the patients were present. Sabbath morning I was with the Everett church, and in the afternoon spoke in Lorimer Hall, Boston. We endeavored to make each of these services tell to the account of the great missionary campaign into which we have entered to stay and work faithfully till the heavenly election polls are closed.

I was pleased to see the good spirit and desire manifested on the part of the rank and file to constitute an important part of this great closing work. From statements made to me by members of the Boston church, I am convinced that Elder Wheeler will be warmly welcomed, and probably before this report reaches the reader, he will be in the field at work. It will be our duty and blessed privilege to give to him all the kind and hearty support which we have accorded to Elder Russell, and while we deeply regret Elder Russell's departure, we will thank God for Elder Wheeler's presence and willingness to take up the burdens which have been laid upon him.

Let me say in conclusion, If each Seventh-day Adventist in the Boston field will do his or her duty, not only in encouraging Elder Wheeler in his work, but in *cooperating with him* in every way possible, ere another year shall pass, the Boston work will be touched with more than "the tips of our fingers." *Now* is the rallying time. Let each soldier remember that our literature constitutes the best ammunition that can be used in this campaign, and may God grant that each one shall go forth, not in the Boston field alone, but in all parts of this conference, ever bearing aloft this signal banner, "If there is one work more important than another, it is that of placing our literature in the hands of the people."

We expect that Sister Wheeler, who is capable of rendering efficient service, will be closely associated with her husband in labor.

A. E. PLACE.

## NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

THE work in New Bedford is very encouraging. Not only are the people opening their houses for Bible readings, but the pastors are actually opening their pulpits to hear our truth, and are themselves helping to sell our literature from their platforms, and *that on Sunday*. After much house-to-house work, beginning with Bible readings, and, upon the pastor's disapproval, being told to discontinue them; then having the same experience again and again elsewhere, the tide at last has turned in our favor. I recently began work with "Practical Lessons," and sold a copy to nearly every minister in the place, and to a number of prominent church-members. I then had little talks with them, and was asked to speak in some of their churches. Last Sunday I spoke on Daniel 2. in an M. E. church, after which the minister urged the book upon the people, and I took four orders direct, and more promises. In this way I became acquainted with the people, and could visit them at their homes.

Next Sunday evening I speak in a Christian church on Middle Street, and the Wednesday following in Dr. Bateman's M. E. church, with the understanding that I am not only to preach, but to sell our book, and Dr. Bateman promises to publicly buy the first copy as an inspiration to others.

At one of my large readings I was told to please not come again. I inquired why, but could not find out the real reason, but they said they were so tired. It was at this time that Elder Gilbert spoke to a large congregation for five nights at the County Street M. E. church. I was there one evening, and met my readers, and asked them how they liked it. They said, "O, Mr. Uchtmann, this is wonderful. That is the man who wrote the book you sold us." I made arrangements to continue the readings, and last Monday evening they told me

how their minister Rev. Mr. Burrows was jealous, but when the people were determined to come and hear the truth, he turned right round and told them to go if they had learned anything. These are earnest people, and we are glad Elder Gilbert came just in time to help to beat back the powers of the enemy.

I find that the only way to work is to keep close to God in prayer, pay strict attention to health reform, and keep right on working no matter what happens in the way of discouragements. Rising early is especially a blessed time for prayer and gathering the heavenly manna, and a sure cure for the blues.

*Pray for us.*

W. R. UCHTMANN.

## TWO INTERESTING SERVICES.

WHAT a bountiful table our good denomination does set! As I partook of its generous bounties at Everett and Boston, Sabbath, November 5. I often found myself wishing so much that many more might enjoy the same privilege; and as the wish is still very strong, I think I will offer, to those who were unable to be present at these meetings, a few crumbs from the feasts, hoping they will be received as humbly as they were by the Syrophenician of old.

An interesting review of the senior Sabbath-school lesson was in progress as we entered Irving Hall, Everett. Soon, however, the order of exercises was changed, and the service proper was opened by such an earnest prayer by Elder Place that I can not forbear quoting one thought therefrom. "We are tired of sin and its train, and long to hear the summons, 'Child, your Father calls; come home.'" What a tangible, blessed hope that can beget such a prayer!

The service that followed was not an ordinary sermon, but was rather a heart-to-heart talk on the message. I wish that every young person in our

denomination might have heard the strong words of the speaker, especially any who for one moment feel that it is in any sense a condescension on their part to unite with an unpopular cause. But I am persuaded better things of our dear young people, and rather that they will be grateful to our loving Father for honoring them with any connection with this thrilling, triumphant truth.

The speaker dwelt very earnestly on the grandeur of truth. "Truth crushed to earth will rise again," he quoted as an eternal principle. And again, "Truth may be on the scaffold to-day, but it is bound to be on the throne to-morrow." "It may be unpopular to-day, but it will be popular to-morrow." "Better be unpopular to-day, and popular to-morrow."

I think I should enjoy hearing the following words of the speaker repeated every day till Christ comes: "I am thrilled with pride more and more every day, that I am a Seventh-day Adventist. Once I felt differently, but now I feel only pity for those who do not see this truth." "Every great message has at first been unpopular with the church and the world, both arrayed against it; but, nevertheless, every truth that God has had for his people has gone, and has in time been heard; and I am to-day proud to be connected with a truth that is marching on to victory."

Many interesting facts concerning the spread of the message were given, also figures showing that during the past ten years both our membership and amount of tithes have more than doubled. Many interesting incidents and experiences were related, all contributing to make us feel the force of the closing words: "Now, brethren, we are *not* an insignificant little people. The work is going, and should it continue to spread and increase in the same ratio, and should *each of us be faithful, another ten years* would leave the work finished, and God's

people safe at home in our Father's house."

The following thrilling words from that remarkable article from Sister White,—“A Call to Service,”—were read in closing: “Let the gospel message ring through our churches, summoning them to universal action.” Then, in the language of the speaker, well may we say, “Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, and he will save us.” He urged the faithful use of our literature, quoting Sister White's words, “If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our literature into the hands of the people.”

During the intermission between this service and the one at Lorimer Hall, Boston, we enjoyed the hospitality of Brother Palmer's home.

Three o'clock found another waiting people at Lorimer Hall, Tremont Temple, ready for the bread of life, and I am sure no one need to have been disappointed. “There is nothing worth living for but this message,” was among the first statements, and was one that made our souls thrill.

Elder Place, who was also the speaker on this occasion, made the earnestness and extreme enthusiasm of the present political campaign, a strong object lesson for us in our missionary campaign which constitutes an earnest crisis in *our* work. Judge Parker's words, “If we do our best, victory will be ours,” might well be said to us as a people. Still, as the speaker stated it, “Our cause will triumph whether we do anything or not, because God is in it. But in case we do nothing, we shall be left out.”

“If the political issues demand zeal, when at best only one man can be placed on the throne for only four short, uncertain years, how much more should *our* cause demand our most earnest endeavors when *its* triumph means the placing of an innumerable company with our Father on his throne forever.” Oh, highly favored people, with such a hope!

I could but meditate—Happy minister! though oft wearied with burdens and all too heavily laden with anxiety and care, thine is the highest of callings! And though thy life may be beset with perils by land, by sea, and, worse than all else, by false brethren,—yet thine also is the promise, “They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever.”

CARRIE E. ROBIE.

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FISKDALE, MASS.

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A SHORT time ago I received a letter from a lady at the above-named place calling my attention to the fact that she was a Sabbath-keeper, and that other members of her family were interested in this truth, and requesting that I spend a Sabbath with them and help them to know the word of God more fully. She signed her name “Mrs. J. G. Palmer.” The news was certainly gratifying.

Friday, November 11, I went to their home, where I found a welcome from Sister Palmer and her husband. She and her family, or I may say four families, for they have four children, all married and living on farms adjoining, are all members of the Baptist church.

Sister Palmer has been keeping the Sabbath about four years, and some of her children keep it with her; but they know very little about the truth beyond the fact that the seventh day is the Sabbath, having never heard a sermon by a Seventh-day Adventist minister. She had seen this truth by studying her Bible, and all these years her soul has been burdened for her children.

We spent nearly two hours talking about the message Friday evening. Sabbath forenoon five were present, and we gathered around the table with our Bibles and studied nearly three hours. In the afternoon we met again and studied about two hours. Ten were present. We took up some of

the evidences that we are living in the last generation, and that “this gospel of the kingdom,” or “the everlasting gospel” is a great, special message that is due at this time to the church and the world. We then studied the work of William Miller and the starting of the Advent work under the first angel's message, the disappointment in 1844 and why, which of course opened the sanctuary question and connected Revelation 10, 11, and 14, and showed the Sabbath in its relation to this great threefold message. At the close Sister Palmer said that she saw the reason for my statement of the night before that the Sabbath question means more to-day than simply keeping the seventh day of the week. What an added force is given to the Sabbath truth by this great last-day message!

Three of the neighbors were present in the afternoon, and all expressed themselves as deeply interested in the study, and desirous to hear further.

It has been a long time since I have met souls so desirous to know the truth of God. To study and pray with such people constitutes one of the most precious blessings man can have on this earth. We secured a yearly subscription to the *Review*, and left them other reading matter, and shall plan to visit them again at as early a date as consistent.

How gratifying to find that God is stirring up honest hearts to study this great Sabbath truth without our aid. May God give us a deep burden to search for the honest in heart and to work faithfully for all till the harvest work is over.

A. E. PLACE.

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“I CAN of mine own self do nothing.”

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“If any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.”

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“For ye have need of patience, that after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.”

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## SABBATH-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

SABBATH-SCHOOL :  
YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

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### "WE ARE LABORERS TOGETHER WITH GOD."

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CHRIST says, "Without me ye can do nothing." One very important respect in which the divine Teacher had an immense advantage over all human teachers was in his knowledge of the minds in which he sought to sow the seeds of truth.

"Jesus knew what was in man"—men's thoughts—and with what conceptions and prejudices they came to a consideration of the truth. Because we have not this knowledge, we often go on repeating terms whose meaning is so familiar to us that we fail to realize that they may convey altogether different ideas to a child.

The first step in teaching a little child is to put one's self as far as possible in his position, to look at things as the child looks at them, through a child's eyes, to lay aside for a moment our acquired knowledge, and to become inquirers and investigators and explorers with the little ones whom we seek to guide into the truth.

In other words, we must, though in a somewhat different sense from what Paul meant, speak as a child, understand as a child, and think as a child. We must follow the example of the great Teacher if we would feed his lambs and build them up in the knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus.

Whence does the power to interest young people come? What is the price to pay for it? The answer is, "Study." It takes something interesting to interest. Nothing will be found like a warm heart and a full mind to draw scholars from home on Sabbath mornings. Horses, cows, sheep, know where the "feed" is to be found, and no educational devices have been needed to draw them.

Study your lesson, think of it, fertilize it; fill your mind and heart full to overflowing, and the boys and girls, will find it out, and will come, and keep coming.

Many of our scholars have fallen into the habit of coming late, which tends to disorder the whole school. Let us remember the example of our Lord Jesus Christ, "And early in the morning he came again into the temple and all the people came unto him: and he sat down and taught them." Lost time is not only never made up, but it seems to breed loss in a rapid manner, and one of the surest ways to lose time is by beginning the day a little late. A half hour wasted on Sabbath morning in unnecessary sleep causes confusion and impatience in the home, and we enter the Sabbath-school room, mentally and spiritually out of sorts.

"Do parents wish their children to do as they do?" is a question that may help us to decide for the right. A "trifling" departure from the best does not seem so trifling when we think of the children's following the example of the parents.

It is said of one of the kings of Israel that "he did that which was evil in the sight of Jehovah, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother." What a terrible record! If parents knew their children would walk in their ways the next twenty-four hours, I am sure they would do some things differently.

I read from the Testimonies, "Wonderful opportunities are passing by unimproved in our Sabbath-school work. Let men and women of varied gifts come into the work, and in the fear of God do their best to save our youth. We need a life-giving power, a zealous enthusiasm, a true animation, that our schools may become filled with a true atmosphere of true piety and purity."

Jesus did not live, suffer, and die in vain. He, the great Teacher, taught the world both by precept and

example the great lesson of self-sacrifice. We influence more by what we are, than by what we say and do.

And in conclusion I would say, To be a laborer with God we must search the Scriptures to know how to labor successfully in the Sabbath-school. We need to be much in prayer, and to do our part in saving the souls for whom Christ died.

FANNIE FONDERSMITH.

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## EDUCATIONAL

OUR ACADEMY AND  
CHURCH-SCHOOLS

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### THE HARD THINGS.

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IF history teaches clearly one thing above another it is that one can not live in luxury and develop. There is another truth to be borne in mind in this connection; namely, that our safety lies in constant development. The hard things are those which develop. When we look for that which requires no energy and effort, we are looking for that which will ruin us. Strong heads and stout hearts are now required. Where shall we find them?—They are to be found in only those who are educated. By the term *educated*, as here used, I do not mean one who has passed through a prescribed course of study in a day-school, but one who has passed through a course of study in the school of life. Many a man and many a woman who has passed but few weeks or months within the four walls of a schoolroom is educated in this sense of the word. They have met and learned thoroughly the lessons of life. However, their education would have been far greater, and their strong, sound heads and hearts might have been stronger and of more use in the world, could they have had the advantages of a good school course.

The hard things of life educate us; the easy things tend to demoralize us. Often the thing which we obtain

does not afford us so much pleasure and is not of so much value to us as is our gaining of it. If every young person would believe and act on this truth, there would certainly be more men and women of worth for the world's work. The hardest thing for many young persons to do is to gain an education. I am now speaking of education in the ordinary sense of the word—a school education. The desire for true knowledge is a plant of tender growth. If it is not fed and cared for tenderly, it will soon die. The love for pure knowledge seems to be, and indeed is, of heavenly origin. But, like the other gifts of heaven, if it is not received and cherished, it passes from us.

Young man, young woman, your hope of greatest usefulness lies directly in the way of securing a good education. This is not alone in the facts that you learn, but in the mastering of the difficulties which stand in the way of your acquiring these facts. These difficulties may be in securing the opportunities for attendance at school, or in a dull, listless mind, or in both. The facts which you will learn if you persevere in your desire for an education will be of great value, but surely of not greater than will the power acquired by faithfully overcoming the obstacles in the way of your learning these facts.

So to the young people of the Atlantic Union Conference I bring this message: It is only by the mastery of the hard things of life that we can secure the strong hearts for the world's greatest crisis into which we are all so rapidly being whirled. Secure this thorough education.

FREDERICK GRIGGS.

#### CHURCH SCHOOLS IN VERMONT.

"CHILDREN who are receiving a Christian education will be witnesses for Christ. As Jesus in the temple solved the mysteries which priests and rulers had not discerned, so in the

closing work of this earth, children who have been rightly educated will in their simplicity speak words that will be an astonishment to men who now talk of 'higher education.' As the children sang in the temple courts, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord,' so in these last days, children's voices will be raised to give the last message of warning to a perishing world. When heavenly intelligences see that men are no longer permitted to present the truth, the Spirit of God will come upon the children, and they will do a work in the proclamation of the truth which the older workers can not do, because their way will be hedged up."—*Testimonies for the Church,* Vol. VI, pp. 202, 203.

The above is a wonderful testimony, indeed. If children who receive a Christian education are the ones who are to do this work, should we not be deeply interested in the education of all our children, that they may be prepared for the work of the Lord? Will children who are kept in the public schools, where the Bible is not taught, be prepared for such a work?—No!

God has spoken to this people very plainly with reference to taking their children out of the public schools, and educating them for him and for his work. If we fail to heed this instruction, we shall find that we have made a very grave mistake. For a number of years the Testimonies came to us with reference to centering so many interests in Battle Creek. The light was not heeded, and we all know what the result has been—the Lord has shown that he is in earnest with this people, and that when he speaks it is far better to heed the light given.

As I think of the church-school work in Vermont, and see only two small schools, and they both struggling hard for a financial existence because there are so few families in either place to support them, I am at a loss to know what can be said to awaken

our good people of Vermont to a realization of the importance of Christian educational work. Last year we endeavored to start an educational fund with which to assist the schools we then had and others which might be started; but during the whole year, only eleven dollars came in, I think. We are still desiring donations to this fund, yet but very little is coming in.

Brethren, are we manifesting the interest in church-school work that we should? One may say, I have no children to educate, therefore, the Testimonies on this subject do not apply to me. Such an one should remember that there are children among us whose parents are positively unable financially to educate them. Is it not good missionary work to assist in the education of such children?

I do not believe that our people should get together in large companies, but I do believe that a sufficient number should locate in one place to support a good church school, and then live so near to the Lord that he could bless their efforts despite the efforts of Satan against the school work.

We do not, of course, design to neglect the light God has given on this or any other point, but we allow our worldly interests to carry us along from year to year, and do not take any definite step to follow the light given. Perhaps it would mean a financial sacrifice to change our location in order to get near a church school; or perhaps we are in love with our present home, and feel that we could be satisfied with no other. These are some of the objections that Satan urges upon us. Still the Lord says, Educate your children for me, that they may be ready to work for me. This instruction is for the whole people, not alone for those who have children. As a people every one of us should be ready to do all in our power to carry out the instruction given us by the Lord.

Brethren and sisters, think on this subject, pray over it, ask God to help

you to see this matter in the proper light. May the Lord help us all to see our way clear to meet his mind in all things.

J. W. WATT.

"It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord."

## MEDICAL MISSIONARY

### HONAN, CHINA.\*

THE people of China are crying for physical and spiritual help. We have seen a marked change in those who have become followers of Christ. They at once become more cleanly in their habits.

In six months after we first thought of coming to China we were on the steamer bound for this needy field. God has blessed us. He called us out of school work. And now as many are near the completion of their work, I wonder how many are planning to devote their time to this needy field. I believe that God is going to lay the burden on the young for this difficult field. We earnestly ask you to each consider this field and its need of workers, and then put this question to yourself as we did, Shall I be able to do more in this country with plenty of laborers and institutions, or in China with four hundred and twenty-six millions and twelve workers? We said that our call was where there was the greatest need, and China presented that call.

We should be glad to correspond with any who have a burden to help China's millions, either by giving themselves or their means. Conditions are most favorable at the present time to work, and what is not accomplished under favorable conditions will later have to be done under difficulties.

H. W. MILLER, M. D.

\*Extract from a letter to Dr. C. F. Ball.

## The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly, and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

### THE CAUSE OF FAILURE.

THE canvasser should never lose sight of the fact that "We are laborers together with God." Every one

who enters this branch of the work should have for himself a high standard to which to attain. If we permit ourselves to consider this work from the commercial standpoint, we lose sight of its real object, and fail of having real success.

If we will remember that the real object for which we labor is not the

### THE BOOK WORK.

#### Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Frank Pegg, Monessen,		H of M	3	16	18	20.25	6.00	26.25	
Ed. E. Peters, Washington,		H of M	5	26	10	15.00	2.00	17.00	
L. B. Trowbridge, Pittsburg,		D of A	5	18			20.75	20.75	
J. Q. Herrington, Baldwin,		P & P	3	17	8	22.00	8.75	30.75	
H. P. Morgan, Washington,		G C	3	17	2	3.00	1.50	4.50	
Wilbert Morgan, Washington,		C S	3	9½	2	1.50		1.50	
Totals,	6 Agents,		22	94½	40	\$61.75	\$39.00	\$100.75	

#### Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
W. T. Hilgert, Philadelphia,		C K	4	23	2	4.50	10.03	14.53	2.08
J. R. Ebersole, Harrisburg,		D & R	9	52	15	18.25		18.25	26.75
Annie G. Howells, Pittston,		H of M	4	20	8	12.00	7.50	19.50	14.75
A. H. Osman, Williamstown,		C K	3	12	3	3.75	4.25	8.00	
Kate S. Peiffer, Lebanon,		C K	4	23	2	2.00	10.50	12.50	
Lillie Minier, Scranton,		C K	4	20	2	2.00	2.25	4.25	1.50
Minnie Minier, Scranton,		C K	5	19	4	4.00	3.90	7.90	4.65
Harry Minier, Scranton,		C K	5	30	6	6.00	2.00	8.00	1.00
S. W. Cape, Clifton,		C K	5	36	13	13.00	10.25	23.25	2.25
G. W. Holman, Millersville,		P H	5	33	108	27.00		27.00	29.75
Totals,	10 Agents,		48	258	163	\$92.50	\$50.68	\$143.18	\$82.68

#### Central New England Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
G. H. Clark, W. Stockbridge,		P of J	5	36	5	9.75	27.00	36.75	
*Wm. W. Rice, N. Hampton, N. H.,		B R	7	28	5	11.50	5.75	17.25	
C. E. Mattison, Everett,		L of C	5	33	6	10.00	6.60	16.60	
Frank Carlson, W. Somerville,		S of D	3	17½	5	5.00	.80	5.80	
Totals,	4 Agents,		20	114½	21	\$36.25	\$40.15	\$76.40	

\*Two weeks.

#### Southern New England Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
R. C. Andrews,	South Manchester, Conn.,	S of D		30	29	29.00	5.00	34.00	
*M. J. Fritz, Middletown, Conn.,		G C	17		31	75.50	26.50	102.00	8.00
Totals,	2 Agents,		17	30	60	\$104.50	\$31.50	\$136.00	\$8.00

\*Four weeks.



making of money for ourselves, but bringing the knowledge of the third angel's message to the people of the world as fast as possible, and seek to do our work in a manner becoming those who have Christ as their com-

panion in labor, and do it faithfully and well, God will take care of the results, and we shall find that his promise that all our needs will be supplied, will be abundantly fulfilled.

I am satisfied that many of the fail-

ures that have been made in the canvassing work have been the result of not having a high standard, and constantly seeking to reach it, and not remembering that we are workers together with God.

"As they cherish the thought that Christ is their companion, a holy awe, a sacred joy, will be felt by them amid all their trying experiences and all their tests." Constant recognition of this blessed truth will bring a transformation in the work and experience of every canvasser, and will certainly bring the long-hoped-for revival of this work. Hope will take the place of discouragement, we shall have joy instead of gloominess and regret, and earnest enthusiasm will take the place of listlessness and lack of interest.

"Those who have faith in this divine attendant will develop. They will be gifted with power to clothe the message of truth with a sacred beauty." And when we can do that we shall find souls falling in love with it, as of old, and once more God's power will be felt in human hearts, and his glory will enlighten the world.

Dear fellow canvassers, let us come up on higher ground. Let us be faithful a little longer, for the last battle will soon be fought, the last victory won, and then we shall go home to stay. But until that time let us stay in the field, even if we do have to remain away from home for a week or so at a time. We may begin to enter into that joy here which will be ours in its fulness when the work is done. This experience will be ours if we do faithfully what our hands find to do.

F. E. PAINTER.

#### FAYETTE, WEST VIRGINIA.

[The following is a letter written to Brother P. W. Province, and sent by him for publication in our columns.—ED.]

DEAR BROTHER PROVINCE: I send the tract society \$68.64 to be applied as follows: \$60 on my regular ac-

#### New York Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. R. Evans,		C K		35	19	25.00	3.75	28.75	
Arthur W. Coon, Minetto,		C K			9	11.50	5.75	17.25	
Elmer Wilber,		C K		9		7.50		7.50	
Totals,	3 Agents,			44	28	\$44.00	\$9.50	\$53.50	

#### Vermont Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Rubie Roscoe, Burlington,		C O L	2		3	3.75	.75	4.50	.25
A. W. Boardman,									28.50
E. H. Pierce, Eden,					1	1.00	1.00	2.00	
Totals,	3 Agents,		2		4	\$4.75	\$1.75	\$6.50	\$28.75

#### New Jersey Conference, Two Weeks Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. W. Rambo, Swedesboro,		G A	8	62	101	29.60	9.95	39.55	15.20
Hugh Peden, Swedesboro,		C K	5	51	8	8.00	4.50	12.50	13.50
Totals,	2 Agents,		13	113	109	\$37.60	\$14.45	\$52.05	\$28.70

#### Virginia Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Mrs. W. H. Zeidler, Fulton,		H of M		4	1	2.00	.50	2.50	
Mrs. J. H. Hayes, Norfolk,							.75	.75	
Totals,	2 Agents,			4	1	\$2.00	\$1.25	\$3.25	

#### West Virginia Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. H. Jennings, Fayette,		C K	5	41	11	11.00	23.25	34.25	64.60
J. E. Meredith, Berea,		D & R	4	32	2	2.00	2.40	4.40	4.40
Totals,	2 Agents,		9	73	13	\$13.00	\$25.65	\$38.65	\$69.00

#### Maine Conference, Week Ending November 4, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Abbie Webber, Skowhegan,		C K			8	7.65	1.40	9.05	
Totals,	1 Agent,				8	\$7.65	1.40	\$9.05	

U. C. Totals November 4,	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
35 Agents,	131	731	447	\$404.00	\$215.13	\$619.33	\$217.13
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
37 Agents,	85	411	207	\$225.00	\$189.97	\$414.97	\$151.00

count; \$5.64 on account of "Object Lessons;" and \$3 for camp-meeting expenses.

I am sorry to have missed Brother James. I wrote a letter to him, requesting him to meet me in the neighborhood of Nuttall, but did not see or hear from him.

If he could have seen what the Lord has done for me financially during the last week, when for the first time lately I have put in nearly the whole week without having to run about so much, he could, perhaps, have made some of our people believe that the Lord can do as much for a canvasser as can be done for a man who is working in a coal mine, or at some other business in which some of our people are engaged, not helping to carry the message faithfully.

Surely the faithful canvasser will never have occasion to regret having left home to carry this mighty message which shall not return void, but will accomplish its purpose.

Yours in love of the truth,

J. H. JENNINGS.

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## ITEMS OF INTEREST

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### SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

—Miss Laura G. Hutchen, of new London, Conn., was married October 29, to Mr. M. C. Murphy from the same place. They are now on a visit to her sister, Mrs. G. A. Peabody, Rumford Falls, Me.

IRENE J. CADY.

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### NEW JERSEY.

—On Sabbath, October 29, Brother W. H. Long, of Burlington, buried his aunt who lived in Trenton.

—Elder Keslake has sent in a good list of subscriptions for the *Review and Herald* from the Trenton church.

—Brother and Sister Weller and Sister Corson, of Vineland, had a pleasant drive to Mauricetown recently where they visited Sister Whil-

den whom they found of good courage and rejoicing in the truth.

—Three young ladies were baptized by Elder J. C. Stevens at the Oak Street church last Sabbath, and in the afternoon were received into church fellowship by Brother Rohde at the Jersey City Second church. An excellent meeting is reported. All seem determined to take hold of the missionary work.

ANNA E. RAMBO.

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### VERMONT.

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—Elder Watt met with the Northfield people last Sabbath.

—We are sending pledges to every family in the conference with matter of importance to every one, and we trust each and all will grant their whole-hearted service to the Lord's work here in Vermont.

—Mrs. P. F. Bicknell, of Maine, visited friends in Burlington the past week. We understand she assisted Brother and Sister Hall, of Hardwick, in a missionary effort by bringing them a treasure for their care and love for Jesus' sake. This little child is twin to the one Sister Williams has at Taftsville.

—Possibly you have noted from time to time that the Mission Board is in need of funds for their department of the work as soon as they can get them. We shall endeavor to send all such items to them as fast as they come to us, so we ask you all to forward to us promptly any donations, and not wait for others to come in, that those in hand may go to the relief of the needy.

—The week of prayer readings are to be in the *Review and Herald* this year, and we hope every isolated member of the conference will avail himself of these readings. Will the church-elders kindly look over their flock, and note who is so situated as to need a copy? Write to us, and we

shall be pleased to assist you in filling any order for the special issue, or for subscriptions for any length of term.

—We have received a letter from the International Publishing Association stating that Vermont has one thousand and twenty Swedes, eight hundred and eighty-two Germans, and two hundred and seventy-nine Danes and Norwegians, and we are wondering whether any of our people here in the State feel interested to present some literature to them in their own language. If so, you are specially favored with the special issues of the *Signs*, and other literature in their languages, and we shall be pleased to assist you in any way possible in this work. What do you need for their aid?

—The work on "Christ's Object Lessons" is going along, and we trust every person in this conference will do their best in this grand missionary campaign now on. Fall in line, take your copies, and work them off. They could all be sold, if placed before the people, while you are waiting, dreading to start, and thinking about it. Just start, and not stop to think and allow that spirit of hesitancy to come in. Have you a copy? Order one from the office if you need, and when possible send cash with the order, so as to aid the academy the sooner. Yet if you do not have the funds, send for the copies you need, sell them, and then forward the funds. We await word from any one that can assist in this work. "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me." Accept the help, and work while it is day.

F. M. DANA.

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### MAINE.

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—Elder Bicknell is visiting the churches in the interests of the missionary campaign.

—The Cliff Island church has started its missionary meetings again, and is taking up the work with zeal.

—Sister Minnie Prince is doubtless by this time in Bath, which place she will canvass for some of our good books.

—Some of our Portland workers are surprised at the openings which are before them. God honors those who have a heart to work.

—The scattered Sabbath-keepers are becoming filled with the missionary spirit, and God is guiding them to those whom they can help.

—Sister Abbie Webber has ordered another reading rack, and writes of how rapidly the reading matter is taken from those she has already put into the hotel and railway station in Skowhegan.

—Brother C. W. Keniston, who is now in Skowhegan, writes that he intends to take up the canvassing work very soon. He is one of our old canvassers and has been very successful in that work in past years. We gladly welcome him back to Maine.

E. H. MORTON.

#### CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND.

—We have since been informed that it was F. A. Luce and Maggie Moffatt who were married at South Lancaster last week.

—Miss M. A. Murphy and Mr. H. G. Gaunce, of Melrose, Mass., are the guests of Mr. W. A. Wilcox for a short time.

—Miss Edith Bicknell, daughter of Elder P. F. Bicknell, of North Deering, Maine, has returned to South Lancaster to take up studies for another year in the academy.

—Elder and Mrs. S. N. Haskell have returned to South Lancaster from Nashville, Tenn. They are gladly welcomed by many friends.

—Mrs. Emma Sanderson, wife of Dr. Arthur J. Sanderson, of San Francisco, California, is visiting her brother, Professor Frederick Griggs.

—Mrs. Nellie L. Porter, of Jamaica,

Vermont, and her daughter are spending a few days with Miss Edith White, one of the students of the academy.

—Elder I. E. Kimball and wife made a short visit in South Lancaster, the first of last week, staying with Mrs. Kimball's sister, Mrs. George O. Gustin.

—We are glad to state that the week of prayer readings this year will be printed in the *Review and Herald*, so we trust that if any of our readers do not take this paper they will send in their subscription at once, that they may have these valuable readings, as well as the other helpful articles in the paper.

H. B. TUCKER.

#### GENERAL MEETINGS FOR WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA.

We call the attention of all our brethren and sisters to the following appointments for general meetings this fall:

North Warren, November 17-20,  
Conneautville, November 24-27,  
Meadville, December 1-4,  
Greensburg, December 8-11.

E. J. DRYER.

WANTED.—Clean copies of the *Signs, Review, Good Health, Life and Health, Life Boat*, etc., for ship mission work in Boston harbor. Address Captain J. L. Johnson, Missionary Yacht "Sentinel," Boston, Mass.

We are also much in need of tracts for the work here. Donations to purchase these may be sent to the Central New England Tract Society, South Lancaster, Mass.

J. L. JOHNSON.

#### SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

##### Local Mean Time.

1904.	Boston.	N. Y. and Phila.	Washington.
Nov. 4.....	4:51	4:54	4:57
Nov. 11.....	4:43	4:46	4:50
Nov. 18.....	4:36	4:40	4:45
Nov. 25.....	4:31	4:36	4:40

## OBITUARY NOTICES

SMITH.—Sister Mary E. Smith died of Bright's disease at New London, Conn., Nov. 13, 1904, aged 71 years. She accepted the message eight years ago under the labors of Elders O. O. Farnsworth and F. C. Gilbert. She was a respected member of the church at this place, and was laid to rest in Jordan Hill cemetery. Funeral services by the writer.

G. E. LANGDON.

LOCKARD.—Died at her home in Altoona, Pa., Oct. 27, 1904, of tuberculosis, Sister Ella B. Lockard, aged 40 years. She accepted the truth and united with the church in 1896, and was faithful in all that she was called upon to bear. She leaves a husband and one child, with many friends, to mourn her loss. The funeral was held from the house. Remarks were made by the writer from Rev. 14:13.

W. F. SCHWARTZ.

REYNOLDS.—Died of cancer, at Rock Hall, Md., November 6, Mr. Peter Reynolds, aged 69 years. Mr. Reynolds was at one time a member of the Rock Hall church, but had fallen away. A few days before his death, he gave evidence of a renewal of hope in Jesus. He leaves a wife and three children to mourn his loss. But they do not mourn as those who have no hope. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Hosea 13:14 to a large company of friends and loved ones.

JOHN F. JONES.

## UNEMPLOYED MEN AND WOMEN

It will pay you to read every word of the following unsolicited letter from one of our salesmen:—

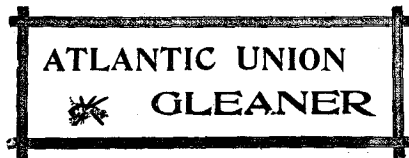
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During the past few months I have been canvassing more or less in Battle Creek for the Magic Pocket Vaporizer, and have found that well-directed efforts meet with success. One prominent business man remarked, "It is the best selling thing I ever saw, because everybody wants it."

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ELDER COTTRELL is attending the annual meeting of the New Jersey Conference.

AN article from Elder A. G. Daniells, entitled "Prayer and Missions," has been received for our next number.

THE week of prayer readings will be printed this year in the *Review and Herald*. If you are not a reader of that paper, you should at once subscribe for it.

BEFORE this number reaches our readers, the New Jersey Conference will be convened in annual session. Let us pray that the Holy Spirit may guide in all their deliberations, and that they may truly have the mind of Christ.

"It falls to the librarian to keep the church at work. Do not let a single librarian be a laggard. Seek to make the missionary convention the most interesting of all services held in your church, and in a kindly manner keep before the members the blessed privilege of work."

A BROTHER in the State of New York would like to exchange a farm of one hundred and thirty-three acres for property near a church school, in order that he may educate his children in a Christian school. Any one having property near a church school which he would like to exchange might correspond with C. S. Coon, Lincklaen Center, N. Y. There is a

Seventh-day Adventist church at this place, but it has no school.

IN a recent letter Elder Daniells says: "I feel intensely anxious that the coming week of prayer shall prove a great blessing to the people of God who are called to a world-wide work. The cause with which we are connected is beyond all question, the cause of God. We are not following cunningly devised fables; we are not a deceived people. The one true, living, and eternal God that rules the universe is at the head of this movement. He is our leader. Oh, that the church would awake, loose herself from the bands of her neck, and put on her strength, as the Lord commands in Isaiah 52:1, 2. This would make her invincible and triumphant in all the world. I believe that prayer is the way to such an experience."

#### APPOINTMENTS.

SABBATH and Sunday, November 19 and 20, I expect to meet with the church at Keene, N. H. Meetings may begin Friday night if thought best.

Sabbath and Sunday, November 26 and 27, I will be with the South Lancaster church. The special object to be considered in these meetings is the present missionary campaign, our relations to it, and what can be done. We design also that the meetings may be a source of real encouragement.

A. E. PLACE.

#### A REPORT FROM MOUNTAINVIEW.

WE are beginning to get settled.

This morning's mail (November 6) brought us orders for nearly seven thousand sets of the special *Signs*.

In their convention yesterday the San Francisco church ordered more than one thousand sets.

The young people of New York City have ordered seven hundred sets.

Last Sunday morning at chapel service our office employees ordered seven hundred and seventy-five sets, but are using many more.

The superintendent of one of our busiest rooms ran out between quitting time and the beginning of the Sabbath last Friday, and secured four orders for sets, out of five homes visited.

Another employee who is setting type on the *Signs* secured twenty-three orders for sets, one day last week.

Total orders up to date demand an edition of eighty-five thousand sets. Truly our friends are celebrating with us.

H. H. HALL.

#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

FOR varied and excellent reasons the last special *Signs* will bear date of December 7, instead of November 30, as first planned. This will give an extra week in which to work. The issue of November 30 will be a regular one, without cover.

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