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

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ALONE WITH GOD.

INTO my closet fleeing, as the dove
Doth homeward flee,
I haste away to ponder o'er thy love
Alone with thee!

In the dim wood, by human ear unheard,
Joyous and free,
Lord! I adore thee, feasting on thy word
Alone with thee!

Amid the busy city, thronged and gay,
But One I see.
Tasting sweet peace, as unobserved I pray
Alone with thee!

O happy life! Life hid with Christ in God!
So making me,
At home and by the wayside and abroad,
Alone with thee!

—Elizabeth Payson Prentiss.

WORKERS FROM THE RANKS.

WITH intense interest God is looking on this world. He has noted the capacity of human beings for service. Looking down the ages, he has counted his workers, both men and women, and has prepared the way before them, saying: “I will send my messengers to them, and they shall see great light shining amid the darkness. Won to the service of Christ, they will use their talents to the glory of my name. They will go forth to work for me with zeal and devotion. Through their efforts the truth will appeal to thousands in a most forcible manner, and

men spiritually blind will receive sight, and will see of my salvation. Truth will be made so prominent that he who runs may read. Ways will be devised to reach hearts. Some of the methods used in this work will be different from the methods used in the past, but let no one, because of this, block the way by criticism.”

Those whom God chooses as workers are not always talented, in the estimation of the world. Sometimes he selects unlearned men. To these he gives a special work. They reach a class to whom others could not obtain access. Opening the heart to the truth, they are made wise in and through Christ. Their lives inhale and exhale the fragrance of godliness. Their words are thoughtfully considered before they are spoken. They strive to promote the well-being of their fellow men. They take relief and happiness to the needy and distressed. They realize the necessity of ever remaining under Christ's training, that they may work in harmony with God's will. They study how best to follow the Saviour's example of cross-bearing and self-denial. They are God's witnesses, revealing his compassion and love, and ascribing all the glory to him whom they love and serve.

Constantly they are learning of the

great Teacher, and constantly they reach higher degrees of excellence, yet all the time feeling a sense of their weakness and inefficiency. They are drawn upward by their strong, loving admiration for Christ. They practice his virtues; for their life is assimilated to his. Ever they move onward and upward, a blessing to the world and an honor to their Redeemer. Of them Christ says, “Blessed are the meek; for they shall inherit the earth.” Matt. 5:5.

Such workers are to be encouraged. Their work is done, not to be seen of men, but to glorify God. And it will bear his inspection. The Lord brings these workers into connection with those of more marked ability, to fill the gaps they leave. He is well pleased when they are appreciated; for they are links in his chain of service.

Men who are self-important, who are filled with the thought of their own superior abilities, overlook these humble, contrite workers; but not for one moment does God lose sight of them. He marks all that they do to help those in need of help. In the heavenly courts, when the redeemed are gathered home, they will stand nearest the Son of God. They will shine brightly in the courts of the Lord, honored by him because they

have felt it an honor to minister to those for whom he gave his life.

MRS. E. G. WHITE.

"LIFE AND HEALTH."

A FEW words with reference to this health journal may not be out of place. The special issue for November was designed for distribution largely among those not of our faith. Our own people in this part of the world should be regular subscribers to this journal, for all Seventh-day Adventists should be deeply interested in the subject of health. We learn that only a very few copies of this special number of *Life and Health* have been taken for missionary work in Vermont. This is not as it should be. We should be interested in the circulation of this class of literature, for nearly all people are sadly in need of the instruction contained in this journal. It often happens that something on this subject will interest people when nothing else will.

It is not yet too late to order and use this November issue in our missionary operations. It costs only five cents to place a copy in the hands of a friend or neighbor, and perhaps we could sell enough to get back the money invested; but, if not, we are getting the light of present truth before the people.

We should bear in mind that the *health reform* is the right arm of this message; hence is a part of it. It is not *the message*, but it is a very important part of the message.

Let us work while it is called today.

J. W. WATT.

"A FAR greater effort should be made to extend the circulation of our literature in all parts of the world."

"THE people are to be educated to read the sure word of prophecy in the light of the living oracles. They need to know that the signs of the times are fulfilling."

The FIELD

CARDWELL, VA.

I HAVE had good success in my meetings at this place. Sunday, the sixth of November, was a happy day with the company here when nine willing souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. November 12, fourteen met at the home of P. L. A. Smith and celebrated the ordinances. It was a good meeting. I hope to see this company grow and live faithful till the Lord comes for his children. I am happy in Christ's work and am of good courage in the Lord.

I shall leave this place for Naruna, Campbell County, where my tent was taken down by the mob, to see those precious souls who have taken their stand to obey God and keep all his commandments. All are faithful, and I shall baptize those that are ready. May peace and love rest upon this company, and may they be a light to all around them.

C. B. RULE.

LORENTON, PA.

THE general meeting at this place was held, according to appointment, from November 15 to 20. The services will long be remembered by all who participated in them. Our attendance was good from the very first, ranging from thirty-five to over one hundred. The Lord in the person of his own representative, the Holy Spirit, was with us in every meeting, to add power to the spoken word.

Owing to the limited time set apart for this section, we did not dwell upon preliminaries, but entered at once upon the testing truths of the message, and our hearts were made glad to see a goodly number acknowledge their intention to live the truth.

On the Sabbath we met at Nauvoo, at the home of Sister Ashley, and or-

ganized the company into a working band, with Brother Erwin Comstock for their leader, after which all gathered at the waterside where three souls were buried with their Lord in the ordinance of baptism.

Our stay with the little company was much appreciated by all; this was demonstrated by the spirit of liberality that is seldom surpassed by any of our older brethren and sisters in the truth. Even the outsiders partook of the same spirit, and did all that they could to make our stay with them a pleasant one. May the richest blessing of God accompany the work in that locality, is our earnest prayer.

W. J. FITZGERALD,
W. H. SMITH.

BOSTON FIELD.

THE second missionary convention was held in the Boston church at Tremont Temple, November 26. Miss Della Bemis, of South Lancaster, and Miss Myrna Lee, of the sanitarium, gave excellent help in the convention readings.

A good work has been started by introducing the *Review, Life and Health, Bible Training School*, and *GLEANER* into nearly every church home for the coming year.

The missionary campaign work has been a little later in getting started than in other churches, perhaps, owing to the absence of the pastor in the early part of the campaign, but an earnest missionary spirit pervades the church.

Mid-week noon meetings are to begin in Bromfield Street Methodist church, December 14, conducted by the writer. We should like to have all our people who are near and can do so attend the opening meeting. This church is on Bromfield Street, near Tremont, in the heart of the city. The Boston church has ordered a large club of papers to be used at these mid-week noon meetings.

The writer expects to open Thurs-

day night meetings in Hawthorne Hall, Melrose, December 1.

The Boston field will be districted for the week-of-prayer meetings so that there will be different leaders for different nights in the various parts of the city. It is the plan of the pastor to visit all the members of the church during the week of prayer.

The sanitarium workers are organizing for special work at once with our periodicals during the campaign. A united and earnest spirit prevails.

Professor Griggs spoke at the sanitarium last Sabbath upon "Work."

Mrs. Wheeler is teaching the Bible classes at the sanitarium.

It is hoped that a great work will be accomplished in this field during the campaign. The last Sabbath in the year has been appointed for a grand missionary review.

LEE S. WHEELER.

BROWNINGTON, VERMONT.

SABBATH and Sunday, November 19 and 20, I had the privilege of meeting with the Brownington church. This church has been reduced in numbers by death and removals in recent years; but those who remain are still alive to the work. We were glad to meet more than twenty-five persons on the Sabbath. On Sunday those not of our faith came in and listened with marked attention to a study of the work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary.

After a short talk on the present missionary campaign, the church decided to order fifty sets of the special *Signs*. We are glad to see the old-time missionary spirit coming upon the people of God again. May the Lord bless the members of the Brownington church.

J. W. WATT.

FAIRMOUNT, MD.

In the latter part of July, or early in August, 1902, Elders O. O. Farnsworth and F. W. Mace came to this

place with a tent and opened up the work. After a few meetings were held, Elder Farnsworth was called away, and Sept. 1, 1902, the writer united with Elder Mace, and for a few weeks we labored together, when Elder Mace was called to another field.

The work was carried forward by the writer until May 9, 1903, when a church of five members was organized. It is not necessary to rehearse the bitter trials and indignities the church has endured since its organization, but notwithstanding all, in June last Elder Farnsworth baptized and added to their number four more precious souls. To-day it was my privilege to bury in baptism another soul who a few weeks ago professed conversion in the M. E. Church. Quite recently her attention was called to God's claims upon her as his child to "remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," which she has started in earnest to do.

Brother F. W. Landon was ordained elder, and Sister Amanda Parks was elected deaconess, the clerk and treasurer having been elected some time ago. We are sure that others here are on the verge of deciding to take their stand and go forward with this people.

"Christ's Object Lessons" work is receiving consideration, and we hope to have a good report from it soon.

To the Lord be all the praise.

JOHN F. JONES.

November 21.

WEST PHILADELPHIA.

SINCE my last report, I have had the pleasure of burying ten dear souls with their Lord in baptism. Seven of these, with about eight more who will be baptized later, accepted the truth as a result of the tent effort held last summer at Fifty-first and Race Streets. These will unite with the church.

Over thirteen years ago, while employed in my father's store, the truth came to me. Soon after this, I left

Philadelphia, as I could not remain at home and live out the truth.

In July, 1903, I was requested to make Philadelphia my field of labor, and I gladly responded, as I had long wished to be near my relatives, so that I could labor for them personally.

Three weeks ago, my mother, for whom I have prayed many years, began to keep the Sabbath, and some other relatives are more favorably impressed, and the spirit of opposition is melting away. Truly God hears and answers prayer.

Some of the GLEANER readers may be interested to know how we are progressing with our church building. The ground which we purchased for \$2,000 a year ago, has increased in value. We have refused several offers of \$2,500, as we expect to get \$2,800. We were able to buy a piece of ground opposite a beautiful park at a low figure. As we do not need all of this ground, we will sell part of it and the first lot. Thus our church lot will cost comparatively nothing. Then the \$2,000 already collected will be a good start on the church building.

As we are obliged to build according to building regulations here in the city, it will cost considerable more than this amount. However, when the church is completed, it will be a substantial, neat building, which will be a monument to the cause here in Philadelphia.

Asking your prayers for the work and workers here, I am

Your brother in Christ,

MORRIS LUKENS.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE.

At a recent meeting of the committee, letters were read from brethren at Westerly, asking if some steps could not be taken whereby those who desired might be received into full conference relations. The committee counseled that Brother G. P. Coates join me in visiting them as soon as it could well be done. We appointed a

meeting for Thursday evening, November 10, at Brother J. E. Wilbur's house. Twenty-two were present. After the service, Elder Fifield, who was present, asked me to speak the next night in their hall, which I did. We had a fair attendance—probably forty—and all seemed to enjoy the service.

On Sabbath, I went to Niantic, where the brethren have a neat little church building, and visited them for the first time. Brother E. A. Stillman, the elder, could not be present, as he had promised to meet with the Green Hill church. We enjoyed a profitable time together, and sixteen books—"Christ's Object Lessons"—were taken, making a total of fifty, together with what the Westerly brethren took.

On my return that evening to Westerly, I found that Brother Coates had come, and that some of the brethren were coming to Brother Wilbur's house for counsel. I left immediately for New London (leaving Brother Coates to give them a hearing), in response to a despatch that Sister M. E. Smith was lying at the point of death. On my arrival, Sisters Hutchen and Stearns, with her daughter, Theodora, accompanied me to the hospital, but she was too near death to more than partly recognize us. At her funeral (previously reported in the GLEANER) one lady remarked, "She left a strong impression for good upon all her associates."

After the funeral, I went to see Brother Coates at his home in Uncasville, and Tuesday morning I returned to Westerly with the understanding that he would return Wednesday night for further counsel.

From the hearing we learned:

That the brethren who were organized April 30 last, refused, by a majority vote of two, on August 27, 1904, to unite with the conference, thereby becoming an independent church; and they held,

That the majority had no right to thus debar them from the rites and

privileges of conference relations, contrary to their individual conscience for which they were *alone* responsible to God; and, *vice versa*,

That the majority could not by right vote any one *into* the conference against his or her individual desire; and,

That they could not, conscientiously, remain any longer in an attitude independent of the conference, and many of them had declined to attend meetings under these circumstances, and were planning to meet by themselves; therefore, they wrote the conference, and still desired to be organized and taken into conference associations and watch-care.

Upon consideration of the foregoing statements, it was decided to have the brethren circulate a paper memorializing the conference to take immediate steps whereby they could become an integral part thereof, and let all who favored such a step sign the memorial. Those who signed the paper were invited to meet at Brother Wilbur's Wednesday night for further consideration. Some who had voted to be independent of the conference, had since reconsidered the step, and signed the paper. Fourteen signed the memorial.

At the counsel meeting that night, several freely took part in prayer for the Lord's guidance. It was soon found that it was the wish of all that a church be organized, and twelve united in church fellowship. Brother R. N. Wood was ordained elder, and Brother Wm. C. Andrews, deacon. Sister Annie A. Wilbur was elected clerk and treasurer. A good spirit prevailed throughout. "The Lord is our refuge and strength, a very present help."
G. E. LANGDON.

HE who each bitter cup rejects,
No living spring shall quaff;
He whom thy rod in love corrects,
Shall lean upon thy staff.
Happy, thrice happy, then is he
Who knows his chastening is from thee.
—Bernard Barton.

The PRINTED PAGE

"Publicly,
and from HOUSE to HOUSE"

A GOOD EXPERIENCE.

I THINK the best experience I have ever had has been that obtained in the canvassing work, and I am very glad for the privilege of devoting the remainder of this year to practical work in the canvassing field, in harmony with the recommendation of the General Conference. I think the past week, which has been so employed, has been one of the most pleasant of my experience. Nothing which would be considered extraordinary has occurred, but I have had a good experience in working among the people. While there is a very apparent indifference on the part of some of the people we meet, yet there are many whose hearts, I am sure, are made to burn within them by the simple recounting of the precious truths of God's word that are revealed in our good books.

These few days' work among the people makes more evident to my mind than ever before the necessity of our people's arousing to finish the work as soon as possible, for many who might be saved if the truth were brought to them in time, are being swept away by Satan's delusions, and becoming so beclouded that the truth can never reach them.

With my canvassing outfit I started out early Monday morning. I had not worked more than two hours before I met a lady who has been deceived by the erroneous teachings of Christian Science. She was a very intelligent and friendly woman, and I had quite a long talk with her, but apparently could make no impression whatever upon her mind. The plainest statements of Scripture seemed to have no effect, for they meant to her only the "letter of the word," while she was relying upon the "higher spiritual sense," which, in other words, is

simply Mrs. Eddy's imagination.

When I entered the house next door, and told the lady the object of my call, her first words were, "Are they Christian Scientist books?" Yankee-like, I answered her question by asking another—"Are you a Christian Scientist?" She replied, "No, I am not, but I think a good deal of some of their teachings." I saw at once that she was in a fair way to become a disciple of Mrs. Eddy, doubtless through the efforts of her neighbor, so with a silent prayer to the Lord for help, I showed her my books, and succeeded in taking her order for a set of five of our important works. I feel very thankful to the Lord for the privilege of placing these books in her hands before she is completely ensnared by the artifice of Satan.

On Wednesday, I met a lady who is a very strong Spiritualist. She showed me photographs of some spirits, which she said were spirits of persons with whom she had been acquainted before they died. They had a decidedly ghostly appearance, but the features were very plainly distinguishable. I endeavored to show her that these were the "spirits of devils," but she said that if Spiritualism was of the devil she gloried in the devil, for he had done her a great deal of good. I finally secured her promise to read our little book "Modern Spiritualism," and trust that it will open her eyes to see the truth.

Her married daughter lives near her, and I succeeded in taking her order for the set of books which I am selling.

Thus the work goes, and every day brings the clearest evidence that God is blessing the effort I am making to give the people the truth through the printed page. In four days' work this week I have taken orders for our good books to the value of \$53.75. The credit for this is all due to the Lord, so let his name be magnified. I have put in good time, and given

the Lord a chance to work with me, and he has not failed to do his part, and to fulfil his promise.

On Thursday—Thanksgiving day—I did not canvass for our books, but as I had taken twenty-five sets of the special *Signs*, I went out in the morning, and sold them. In about

two hours I had disposed of all of the first number. I sold them to the people in their homes, and next week I hope to sell the same people the second number of this series, followed later by the other two numbers, and thus try to develop their interest in the truth.

THE BOOK WORK.

Western Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
T. D. Gibson, Hazelwood,		P & P	5	33	7	20.50	31.75	52.25	
Mrs. T. D. Gibson, Brushton,		L G	5	20	4	13.50	9.50	23.00	7.00
*J. Q. Herrington, Baldwin,		P & P	7	22½	11	29.00	20.75	49.75	
E. E. Peters, Washington,		H of M	5	34	3	6.75	2.00	8.75	
Irvin Hewitt, Conneautville,			2			9.75		9.75	
David S. Plank, Shingle House,		C K	1	5		14.25		14.25	10.25
Totals,	6 Agents,		25	114½	25	\$93.75	\$64.00	\$157.75	\$17.25

*Two weeks.

Eastern Pennsylvania Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. R. Ebersole, Shiremanstown,		D & R	4	21	4	4.75		4.75	26.00
Annie G. Howells, Pittston,		H of M	2	15	3	4.50	2.25	6.75	33.75
W. T. Hilgert, Montgomery,		C K	4	26	4	4.00	4.62	8.62	29.50
Harry Minier, Scranton,		C K	3	18	8	8.00	5.00	13.00	4.50
Lillie Minier, Scranton,		C K	2	6			1.00	1.00	
Minnie Minier, Scranton,		C K	4	23	4	4.00	4.00	8.00	
A. H. Osman, Williamstown,		C K	4	16	5	5.00	7.75	12.75	24.00
F. F. Fry, Waynesboro,		C O L	5	38	13	16.25	8.30	24.55	5.75
G. W. Holman, Columbia,		P H	5	29	89	22.25		22.25	24.00
John Kaley, Ashland,		G P	5	40	50	12.50		12.50	12.50
Totals,	10 Agents,		38	232	180	\$81.25	\$32.92	\$114.17	\$160.00

Central New England Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Frank Carlson, Gardner	S of D, C K		4	25½	10	14.50	4.50	19.00	
G. H. Clark, W. Stockbridge,	P of J		1	1	2	3.90	1.50	5.40	120.00
E. F. Chase, Frankestown,	C K		2	11	5	4.50	1.50	6.00	
Fred. W. Stray, Greenf'd, DofA, HofM						17.00		17.00	
F. S. Hartwell, Greenfield,	H of M		5	32½	9	11.50	22.00	33.50	
C. E. Mattison, Boston,	L of C		5	33	13	24.25	14.45	38.70	
Totals,	6 Agents,		17	102½	39	\$75.65	\$43.95	\$119.60	\$120.00

Southern New England Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
R. C. Andrews,									
S. Manchester, Conn., S of D				31	19	19.00	1.00	20.00	32.00
Totals,	1 Agent,			31	19	\$19.00	\$1.00	\$20.00	\$32.00

It is certainly good to work for the Lord; and to work *with* him, too. I do not wish to sell out my experience in this work, but I do wish to invite others to take it up, and gain an experience for themselves, and know the blessedness of being "laborers together with God."

F. E. PAINTER.

EXPERIENCES AT NEWTON, WALTHAM, AND LEOMINSTER.

I VISITED a minister in Newton who gave me a very respectful hearing, as I presented "Practical Lessons," but when I finished declined to buy. He, however, gave me the name of his Sunday-school superin-

tendent, and also referred me to Dr. Cobb, of the Congregational Library, Beacon St., Boston. The latter gave me an order for the book for the library.

I was at Newton Highlands recently for two days, and secured about fifteen orders, and was also at Waltham, being entertained at the former place by Sister Redmond, and at the latter by Brother Davis. The day was very cold, and the people did not seem to have any wish for what I had for them, and four o'clock arrived without an order. At this point the battle turned in my favor, and by seven o'clock I had six good orders, among them being one from a deacon of the Baptist church and one from the ex-mayor's wife.

My experience in Leominster on Thanksgiving week was not without a test of faith. The first day I took ten orders; the next day, eight; the next day, four; and the last day, two. Thanksgiving festivities may have had something to do with it. The moral is obvious: At such a period keep away from the class of people who have means to celebrate, and seek the common people.

If the order had been reversed from two to ten, instead of from ten to two, it would have been easier to bear. But I am standing on the promise, "Lo, I am with you always."

The following lines have been a comfort to me:

"If we will bear no pain for Jesus' sake,
Who did for us his heavenly home forsake,
Then we shall have from him no healing balm,

No place in heaven to wave a palm.

"No pain to brave,
No palm to wave.
No thorns to wear,
No throne to share,
No grief of earth,
No bliss of heaven,
No cross to bear,
No crown to wear."

I thank God for the fellowship of his sufferings.

Yours till the conflict is over,

W. E. GERALD.

New York Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. R. Evans,		C K		23	12	14.50	9.00	23.50	30.50
G. F. Evans,		H of M		26	9	11.75	2.25	14.00	
D. W. Allen,		H of M		9	6	8.75	1.75	10.50	
Mrs. Andrew Cobb,		B R			7	15.50	6.50	22.00	
Chas. C. Harris,		B R		20	3	9.00	6.25	15.25	
Mrs. Chas. C. Harris,		B R			3	7.50	6.50	14.00	6.50
Walter A. Erb.		B S		5	13	5.75		5.75	
Totals,	7 Agents,			83	53	\$72.75	\$32.25	\$105.00	\$37.00

Maine Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Abbie Webber, Skowhegan,		C O L, C K			12	10.50	1.25	11.75	
E. A. Boothman, Greenville,		Misc				67.26		67.26	
Totals,	2 Agents,				12	\$77.76	\$1.25	\$79.01	

Vermont Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
A. W. Boardman, Sutton		H of M		35	5	6.25	12.25	18.50	
E. H. Pierce, Belvidere		S of D	4	32	11	11.00	6.00	17.00	12.75
Totals,	2 Agents,		4	67	16	\$17.25	\$18.25	\$35.50	\$12.75

Virginia Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Mrs. A. C. Neff, Quicksburg,							2.25	2.25	
Mrs. Ida Klein, Berea,				16	21		7.00	7.00	
Totals,	2 Agents,			16	21		\$9.25	\$9.25	

West Virginia Conference, Week Ending November 18, 1904.

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
J. H. Jennings, Fire-Creek,		C K	5	28	6	6.00	26.75	32.75	6.35
L. Roy Knott, Hinton,		H of M	5	24	26	39.00	16.65	55.75	.50
Totals,	2 Agents,		10	52	32	\$45.00	\$43.50	\$88.50	\$6.85

U. C. Totals November 18,	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
38 Agents,	94	698	397	\$482.41	\$246.37	\$728.78	\$385.85
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
32 Agents,	118	498½	196	\$346.00	\$238.77	\$584.77	\$313.80

ITEMS OF INTEREST

MAINE.

—We hope our church clerks will send in their reports, even if no quarterly meeting is held in their respective churches.

—The *Review* having the week-of-prayer readings may be obtained from the Maine Tract Society office as soon as they are ready for distribution.

—Brother Grant is doing well selling the special number of the *Signs*. He sold twenty-three sets in two days. He is having good experiences among the people.

—Sister Cornelia Snow, we are sorry to say, is sick at Caribou. She came near having pneumonia, and her lungs are very weak. She needs the prayers of God's people.

—Brother L. L. Howard and Sister Mary A. Mutchler were united in the bonds of matrimony November 23, by Elder Bicknell. The ceremony was performed in the hall over the Maine Tract Society office. A goodly number of friends were present, and offered congratulations to the happy couple. Brother and Sister Howard will probably make Portland their home during the winter.

E. H. MORTON.

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Johnson, of Leominster, Mass., spent Sabbath in this place.

—Professor Griggs and family spent Thanksgiving at Melrose, Mass., as guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Nicola.

—Mr. Howard F. Wilson, from the Melrose sanitarium, made a short visit in South Lancaster, staying over Sabbath and Sunday.

—Miss Marie Iverson, of Portland, Maine, is visiting her sister Miss Minnie Iverson, who is attending the South Lancaster Academy.

—Captain and Mrs. J. L. Johnson, who have charge of our missionary yacht, "Sentinel," are the guests of Elder and Mrs. Place, of South Lancaster.

—Miss Susie G. Fisk, one of the students in the academy, was pleased to welcome her mother, Mrs. A. F. Fisk, of West Newton, to South Lancaster last week.

—Elder and Mrs. M. D. Mattson left South Lancaster Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving and Sabbath with friends at Enfield, Mass., where he had tent meetings last summer.

—We take pleasure in informing our people that the new edition of the book, "Heralds of the Morning," is now ready. It contains thirty-three chapters of interesting reading, and is well illustrated, and one who reads it can not help but be interested in it. One style of binding, cloth, marble edge, price \$1.50.

—Elder A. E. Place spoke to the young people of South Lancaster, at their prayer-meeting, Friday evening, November 25. The subject was, "Be quick to recognize and seize every opportunity and advantage offered in the turning of the wheel of providence." The importance of young people's entering the cause of God with strong Christian principles, cultivated minds, and noble characters, was especially emphasized.

Elder Place also had charge of the missionary convention in the church on Sabbath. This was especially appreciated, as he so seldom is with this church on Sabbath.

H. B. TUCKER.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

—Cash receipts on the school farm fund are:

Previously reported,	\$115.01
H. L. Andrews,	10.00
T. T. Tucker,	50.00
Total,	\$175.01

—Brother George Halloway, of

Niantic, R. I., is in Massachusetts canvassing.

—Brother E. A. Stillman held meetings last Sabbath at the home of Sister Orville Stacy, in Perryville, R. I.

—Brother M. J. Fritz, of Turner-ville, Conn., is moving his family to Middletown where he has been canvassing. He will make Middletown his headquarters.

—Sister H. F. Austin has gone to the sanitarium at Melrose on account of ill health. She hopes to be able to return soon and take up her work again as Bible worker.

—The many friends of Sister E. L. Perry will be pleased to hear that she is somewhat improved in health. She is under treatment in our New England Sanitarium, at Melrose, Mass.

—It is nearing the time when we shall have to meet our obligations on the endowed bed, and very few pledges have been paid. Will not those who made pledges at camp-meeting send in their money at an early date?

—Brother G. P. Coates was in Bridgeport last week on business, and remained over Sabbath with his brother who lives there. He attended Brother S. A. Whittier's meetings there, and reports a pleasant occasion.

—William F. Woodward, who is attending the South Lancaster Academy, has been spending several days at the home of Brother D. A. Bidwell, Bloomfield, Conn. We were glad to welcome him at the services in our little church in Hartford, Conn., on Sabbath.

—A sister writes, "My heart was saddened with the report that no funds were left to send the doctor and nurses that were needed to China because I had failed to do my duty." How many of us make it a personal matter that missionaries are kept from the work because *we* fail to give of our means? Are we making our plans to give liberally toward the eighty thousand dollars called for in our annual offering for foreign missions?

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APPOINTMENTS.

I WILL make another effort to visit the Keene, N. H., church, and hereby appoint Sabbath and Sunday, December 3 and 4, for this visit.

I also hope to meet appointments as follows: Newburyport, Sabbath and Sunday, December 10 and 11; Springfield, December 17 and 18.

A. E. PLACE.

NOTICE.

THE Harrisburg, Pa., union meeting, beginning Thursday evening, December 8, will be held on Alison Hill, at Union Square Hall, corner Forest Avenue and Howard Street. Those arriving from neighboring churches by trolley or railroad should take the "D" or the "R" car to Thirteenth and Howard Streets. There get off, and walk out Howard Street to Forest Avenue, one block. We hope to provide lodging for all such free of charge. Please notify the undersigned at 1211 Swatara St., Harrisburg, Pa., as soon as possible, that you are planning to attend.

GEO. W. SPIES.

VERMONT, TAKE NOTICE!

IN visiting among our people in Vermont, I find that some of our people evidently do not fully understand

the plan for the Southern missionary offerings. The self-denial boxes that have been sent into our State are for special donations for the Southern work, and not for the regular ten-cent-a-week offering for foreign missions. I find that some have placed their regular weekly offerings for missions in these boxes, thinking that the money all went to the same treasury; viz., the foreign missionary fund.

While we are glad to aid the Southern work, and should do so individually to the extent of our ability, yet we think it would be wrong to turn our ten-cent-a-week offerings in that direction, as our laborers in distant countries need our help. As a people we must continually reach out our hands to the world, for we have a world-wide message.

I hope these few words of explanation will enable all our Vermont people to understand where each class of donations should be placed.

J. W. WATT.

WILLIMANTIC, CONN.

I SPENT Sabbath, November 19, at the above-named place. A missionary convention had been appointed at this time, and the Hebron and Norwichtown churches were invited to join.

It was indeed a profitable occasion, and was well calculated to inspire any heart to a more earnest work for the Master. Dr. Marsh conducted the services from a well-arranged program. The young people were given a prominent part, and all did well, showing that both interest and study had been given to each part throughout.

All were so much interested that the brethren from Norwichtown wanted a convention at their church on Sabbath, December 10. They extend an invitation to the brethren of New London and Willimantic to join them, also others who would like to do so.

Last Sabbath we were in Middle-town. One more has cast her lot with

us. She never before made a start in the Christian life. The work is the Lord's. His word shall not return unto him void.

G. E. LANSDON.

VERMONT NOTICE.

THE week of prayer is now at hand, and I am anxious that all our people in Vermont may make the most of this occasion. If possible, let the elders of churches and the leaders of companies make such arrangements as will enable all to have the privilege of attending the services.

These annual seasons of seeking the Lord are of grave importance and we can not afford to neglect attendance at these services. Let us each search his own heart diligently, that no sin may remain unconfessed, but that every sinful thing may be put away from us and we stand where we can say at all times, "Speak, Lord, thy servant heareth."

When God's people humble their hearts and put away all selfishness, we shall see of the salvation of God in our midst as we have not seen it in the past. If there ever was a time when we needed a week of prayer, it is now.

Our workers are so few in Vermont that not many of our churches can have a worker with them during the week of prayer; but all can have the Lord of glory with them, and by his presence be able to rejoice greatly in his salvation.

J. W. WATT.

"IT is God alone who can give success either in preparing or in circulating our publications."

SUNSET CALENDAR FRIDAYS.

Local Mean Time.

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Dec. 2.....	4:29	4:34	4:39
Dec. 9.....	4:28	4:33	4:38
Dec. 16....	4:29	4:34	4:40
Dec. 23....	4:31	4:37	4:42
Dec. 30....	4:36	4:42	4:46