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"As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger."

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Beyond To-day

If we could see beyond to-day

As God can see;

If all the clouds should roll away,

The shadows flee,

O'er present griefs we would not fret,

Each sorrow we would soon forget,

For many joys are waiting yet

For you and me.

If we could know beyond to-day,

As God doth know

Why dearest treasures pass away

And tears must flow;

And why the darkness leads to light,

Why dreary paths will soon grow bright,

Some day life's wrongs will be made right;

Faith tells us so.

If we could see, if we could know,

We often say

But God in love a veil doth throw

Across our way;

We cannot see what lies before,

And so we cling to him the more;

He leads us till this life is o'er;

Trust and obey.

—Selected.

Something We Ought to Know

EVERY one of earth's teeming millions ought to know about the coming of the Lord, yet to the vast majority of them, that event will come as a thief in the night. But there is one who knows all about the coming of the Lord, and what it means to the people of the world; and that being is Satan.

Of him we read: "Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time." Rev. 12: 12.

Now the devil must have some means of finding that out. How does the devil know that "he hath but a short time." The only place where this event is recorded is in the Bible; and Satan quoted Scripture at one time, from which we conclude that he knows what he knows about the coming of the Lord

and what that event means to him, from his study of the Bible. And the devil believes the Bible; for we read, "The devils also believe, and tremble." James 2: 19.

But the devil's belief of the Bible will be of no benefit to him, for the Bible teaches that he will be destroyed, therefore the Bible was not written for his benefit, it was not written for the purpose of letting him know the shortness of his time. Indeed, if the devil had been the only inhabitant of this earth, it is not at all likely that the Bible would ever have been written. The Bible was written for man's benefit. It was written for the purpose of letting the inhabitants of this world know that the devil has but a short time. It was written that sinful men might know when the coming of the Lord would take place, and what they ought to do to be ready for that event.

But the devil has taken advantage of what was written for man's benefit, and so blinded the eyes of men that but very few believe in the doctrine of the soon coming of the Lord. Instead of believing the doctrine they scoff at it, exclaiming, "Where is the promise of his coming? For since the fathers fell asleep all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation." 2 Peter 3: 4.

The devil knows that he has but a short time because he believes what the Bible says about it. While the world, for whose benefit the Bible was written, know nothing about it, because they do not believe the Bible. What an awful comment on the depravity of the human race!

We ought to know about the Coming of the Lord, and we ought to do all we can to let others know about it, because "it is near, even at the doors."

Selections from the Testimonies in Regard to Camp-meetings

"SOME are sufferers through extra labor in preparing for camp-meeting. They are liberal-souled people, and want nothing done with stinginess. Some make large provisions, and are thoroughly wearied out when they come to the meeting, and as soon as they are released from the pressure of work, exhausted nature causes them to feel that she has been abused. Some of these persons may never

have attended a camp-meeting before, and are not informed in regard to what preparations they are required to make. They lose some of the precious meetings they had purposed to attend. Now, these mistake in making so great preparation. Nothing should be taken to camp-meeting except the most healthful articles, cooked in a simple manner, free from all spices and grease.

"I am convicted that none need to make themselves sick preparing for camp-meeting, if they observe the laws of health in their cooking. If they make no cake or pies, but cook simple graham bread, and depend on fruit, canned or dried, they need not get sick in preparing for the meeting, and they need not be sick while at the meeting. None should go through the entire meeting without some warm food. There are always cook stoves on the ground, where this may be obtained.

"Brethren and sisters must not be sick upon the encampment. If they clothe themselves properly in the chill of morning and night, and are particular to vary their clothing according to the changing weather, so as to preserve proper circulation, and strictly observe regularity in sleeping and in eating of simple food, taking nothing between meals, they need not be sick. They may be well during the meeting, their minds may be clear, and able to appreciate the truth, and they may return to their homes refreshed in body and spirit. Those who have been engaged in hard labor from day to day now cease their exercise; therefore they should not eat their average amount of food. If they do, their stomachs will be overtaxed. We wish to have the brain power especially vigorous at these meetings, and in the most healthy condition to hear the truth, appreciate it, and retain it, that all may practice it after their return from the meeting. If the stomach is burdened with too much food, even of a simple character, the brain force is called to the aid of the digestive organs. There is a benumbed sensation upon the brain. It is almost impossible to keep the eyes open. The very truths which should be heard, understood, and practiced, are entirely lost through indisposition, or because the brain is almost paralyzed in consequence of the amount of food eaten.

"I would advise all to take something warm into the stomach every morning at least. You can do this without much labor. You can make graham gruel. If the graham flour is too coarse, sift it, and while the gruel is hot, add milk. This will make a most palatable and healthful dish for the camp-ground. And if your bread is dry, crumb it into the gruel, and it will be enjoyed. I do not approve of eating much cold food, for the reason that the

vitality must be drawn from the system to warm the food until it becomes of the same temperature as the stomach before the work of digestion can be carried on. Another very simple, yet wholesome dish, is beans boiled or baked. Dilute a portion of them with water, add milk or cream, and make a broth; the bread may be used as in graham gruel.

"I am grateful to see the progress that many have made in the health reform, yet am sorry to see so many behind. If any become sick upon our encampments, inquiry should be made as to the cause, and note should be taken of the case. I am not willing that the reputation of our camp-meetings should suffer by their being reported as the cause of making people sick. If a proper course be pursued at these important gatherings, they can be made a blessing to the bodily health, as well as to the health of the soul."—*The West Michigan Herald*.

"For the Messenger"

WE all like to read the reports of the "workers" in our little paper, and why would it not be well for some of our "lay workers" to report the progress at home occasionally?

Very interesting reports often come to us through private letters.

A few years ago while holding tent-meetings in Carleton Place, near Ottawa, a lady accepted the truth, though bitterly opposed by her family. Their opposition was so great that she was forced to request other Sabbath-keepers not to call at her home. Her health was poor, and she suffered much in mind because of the hardness of her family.

Since then, accompanied by husband and family, she has moved to Tennessee, settling upon a farm advertised in the *Review*.

In a recent letter she rejoices in the fact that all her family which accompanied her then are now rejoicing in the truth. Two daughters have entered the work, and others are teachers in the Sabbath-school.

This sister passed through deep waters, but the Lord has rewarded her faithfulness even in this life.

A brother at Bouck's Hill writes of a live company there, with a Sabbath-school of fifteen members, and a mid-week prayer meeting.

Two families of this company before hearing the spoken word were interested readers of the *Signs* given them by a Sabbath-keeping mother. The seed had already been sown, and needed but little further care to spring forth and bear fruit.

Scattered over Canada there are isolated Sabbath-keepers who have interesting experiences. Why not let us all hear them through the MESSENGER?

MRS. W. H. SPEAR.

FROM THE FIELD

Kilmaurs, Ont.

MONDAY, July 31.—We were delayed in starting our meetings here on account of being kept waiting by the railroad company for our tents. It would seem that a week would be sufficient time in which to ship a tent a hundred miles; but more time was taken, and we were obliged to wait.

We finally began, however; but the attendance has not been large thus far. The people have been very busy finishing their haying. Many said they would come on Sunday; but it rained all day, and few came. A few children round about are sick with meningitis, and some make this an excuse for not attending the meetings.

The people are friendly, and manifest an interest in the subjects presented thus far. The work is the Lord's, and we are striving to do all in his name.

We hope for a good attendance yet and pray that good may result from the effort.

My wife is with me assisting in the meetings.

We are located near Sister T. Brown's, the only family of Sabbath keepers in this section, and they assist with their presence, music, and hospitality.

We ask your prayers in behalf of the work here.

W. H. THURSTON.

Brampton, Ont.

WE are thankful to find in this place an interest to hear the truth for these last days. Barring some inclement nights, our attendance has been very fair during the week, and excellent on Sunday night.

One man and his wife have already begun to obey, and many others are seriously considering.

We held our first Sabbath meeting for outsiders last Sabbath. We expect to see considerable fruit in this place.

A. L. MILLER.

W. H. SPEAR.

The Quebec Camp-meeting

THIS meeting will be held at South Stukely, Quebec, August 31 to September 10. This is a central and convenient place for such a gathering, as it is situated on the main line of the C. P. R.

Board, furnished rooms, a few tents (unfurnished) also feed and stabling for horses, can be obtained at reasonable rates. Those desiring accommodations in any of these lines should write early to Harvey McCleary or W. H. Libby, South Stukely, Quebec, stating just what you need, so that the committee

will be prepared to supply all without inconvenience to any one. "Let all things be done decently and in order."

Besides our local workers Elder W. H. Thurston will be present. General Conference help is also expected. All plan to come, and let us seek the Lord together.

H. E. RICKARD, President.

The Coming Camp-meeting

NEEDS to be full of light and power. The keynote of it will be the third angel's message and the power of the Holy Ghost which is needed by every one, and which all who attend may have.

The season's work will be almost over, and it will be a time of refreshing to both body and soul. The General Conference will send in such help as we need.

MISSIONARY WORK

We are expecting Elder W. A. Spicer, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, to attend the meeting. He will have much to tell us about the work in different portions of the world. The youth need to be inspired with a missionary zeal. So come, brethren and sisters, and bring the youth and children with you. Providence has placed you here—has given your children to carry this message to all parts of Ontario. Think of the hundreds of places where the truth has not entered. In sending this message to you he has made you debtor to those who have not heard it. You may not be able to go personally and take it to them, but you can send a son or a daughter. Come with them to this gathering and let the Holy Spirit imbue them with a willingness to enter this closing work.

THE SCHOOL FARM

This place should be visited by every Sabbath-keeper in the province. This is the place where you should send your son and daughter to receive a fitting for this work. The location will be remembered by you as one in which you would like to have your child remain. If the children attend this gathering they will be more anxious to attend the school and receive a preparation for His work.

SMALL THINGS

The writer remembers that before Battle Creek College was started he was the only student that Prof. Bell had; but the attendance increased until there were scores of students. We expect that it will be thus with our school.

MEDICAL HELP

We have invited Dr. White of the Knowlton Sanitarium to attend the camp-meeting. Sister Sadie Baker and Sister Annie Johnston of the Lindsay Treatment Rooms will be present.

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A. O. BURRILL.

Camp-meeting Items (Ontario)

NEARLY all the plans for our camp-meeting have been completed. We are not able to announce rates, but hope to do so next week. The meeting is to be held Sept. 7-17, at the Academy farm, 15 miles west of Toronto on the Grand Trunk Railway.

Those coming to the meeting will purchase tickets for Clarkson (see in next MESSENGER the conditions for returning), and have all baggage checked for Clarkson. There is no station agent at Lorne Park. Clarkson is only a half mile further away. You will be met by Herbert Knister, who will take you and your baggage to the camp-ground, charging ten cents (each way) for trunks and fifteen cents (each way) for persons.

Trains are as follows:—

West—7.18 A. M.; 12.23, 6.05, and 11.50 P. M.

East—7.45 A. M.; 12.01, 6.12 P. M.

Preserve this MESSENGER that you may be sure of the time table.

Have all mail for the camp-meeting sent to Clarkson, Ont., marked C. M.

CLOTHING and BEDDING

Bring an abundance of it. Do not forget rubbers, umbrellas, and straw ticks. We will have a good supply of straw.

The lumber will cost from \$15 to \$18 per thousand. It is likely we can rent some at moderate rates.

The Academy kitchen and dining rooms will be used. Seven meal tickets will be sold for one dollar. There will be a grocery store, and a good sup-

ply of health foods will be on sale. There will be an abundance of fruit and vegetables.

Hay will be about fifty cents a hundred; pasture thirty-five cents a week for each horse. Stabling as long as it lasts will be free.

The Reception Committee will be present to assist all the brethren and sisters to get settled in their tents or rooms.

A limited number of rooms can be rented.

Meeting of the Quebec Conference

THE annual meeting of the Quebec Conference of Seventh-day Adventists will be held on the camp-ground at South Stukely, Quebec. The first meeting will be at 9 A. M., Friday, Sept. 1, 1905. The election of officers, the granting of credentials and licenses, and other important business will be attended to. We hope that all the churches will elect delegates, so that they may be fully represented. Each church is entitled to one delegate for the organization, and an additional delegate for every ten members.

H. E. RICKARD, President.

Appointments.

WE will meet with the following named churches and companies at the dates named opposite. Let those who have the matter in hand arrange for public meetings as they see best.

Petrolia Monday, Aug. 14.

Oil Springs Tuesday, " 15.

Ingersoll . Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 16-17.

Brantford Friday to Monday, " 18-21.

Lynden Tuesday, Aug. 22.

Lindsay Friday to Monday, Aug. 25-28.

Peterborough Tuesday, Aug. 29.

We are especially desirous of meeting those who are interested in the school work at these meetings.

EUGENE LELAND.

MRS. J. EVA LELAND.

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