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"Every one said to his brother, Be of good courage." Isa. XLI. 6.

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should be prepared to hear the Word of God, that it may have due weight, and suitably impress the heart.

The minister should bow down in silent prayer as soon as he steps into the pulpit, and earnestly ask help of God.

Every one of the congregation, also, who fears God, should with bowed head unite in silent prayer with him, that God may grace the meeting with His presence, and give power to His truth proclaimed from human lips.

When the meeting is opened by prayer, every knee should bow in the presence of the Holy One, and every heart should ascend to God in silent devotion.

Listen attentively. Sleep not for one instant, because by this slumber you may lose the very words that you need most—the very words which, if heeded, would save your feet from straying into wrong paths. Satan and his angels are busy creating a paralyzed condition of the senses, so that cautions, warnings, and reproofs shall not be heard; or if heard, that they shall not take effect upon the heart, and reform the life.

Sometimes young men and women have so little reverence for the house and worship of God that they keep up a continual communication with one another during the sermon. Could these see the angels of God looking upon them and marking their doings, they would be filled with shame, with abhorrence of themselves. God wants attentive hearers.

The Gospel and the Foreigner

O. A. Olsen

What can we do to bring the message of salvation to the foreigner in our midst, is a question of much interest to us all.

We feel very keenly the lack of properly fitted workers who can speak the language of these many nationalities; but while this is a serious lack, still I am glad that there are ways and means by which we can work and be a blessing and help to many in need.

One of the first things to be done is to form a friendly acquaintance with these people. We should remember that they are strangers in a new and strange country. They meet with strange customs and people whose language they can not understand. Thus they will be rather shy and distant, and somewhat suspicious; therefore it becomes evident that the first thing to do is to show ourselves friendly and appreciative of their situation. This is often best done by watching for an opportunity to be of some help and service to them where this may be needed.

The first and most important qualification for a person to have for successful soul-winning work, whether they be foreigners or natives, is a heart filled with the love of Christ.

A heart that is filled with sympathy and love for the unfortunate, and, like the Master, ready to go out of his way to give help and comfort to the needy and those in trouble, at any and every time, such will always find an opportunity for doing good. With such a one, it is "the love of Christ constraineth me;" and it is wonderful what a winning power there is with an individual whose soul is filled with this love of Christ.

Another important qualification is that of tact, but this is largely supplied if we possess the first. To know how to make our approach acceptable, to say the right thing at the right time is very important. It is always out of place to enter into any kind of argument. That must al-

General Interest

Reverence for God's House

The following suggestions from Mrs. E. G. White will assist in directing the attention to details that, if heeded, will aid greatly in creating a reverential atmosphere in the house of God:—

When the worshippers enter the place of meeting, they should do so with decorum, passing quietly to their seats.

Common talking, whispering, and laughing should not be permitted in the house of worship, either before or after the service. Ardent, active piety should characterize the worshippers.

If when the people come into the house of worship, they have genuine reverence for the Lord, and bear in mind that they are in His presence, there will be a sweet eloquence in silence. The whispering and laughing and talking which might be without sin in a common business place, should find no sanction in the house where God is worshiped. The mind

ways be avoided, as no good, but much harm, will result.

The immigrant and foreigner, being generally timid and shy, long for some one to speak kindly and show an interest in his welfare. To a gentle, kind approach he is very responsive.

In a general way, the plan that has proved the most successful is that of a mission training school, with some one of experience to take charge and superintend the work. In connection with such a mission, various lines of work can be carried on. While they may not know the native languages of these foreigners, they must, nevertheless, make it a point to become acquainted with the habits and customs of these foreigners, in order to be able to know how to deal with them and to render the service so much needed.

A trained missionary nurse should be connected with such a mission, prepared to minister to those in need, look after the sick, whether they be children or adults. There is a wide field for this line of work. Another line of work is the holding of evening classes, teaching English. These foreigners are very desirous to learn English. Such classes give an excellent opportunity, too, for acquaintances with many under most favorable conditions.

In connection with such a mission we should have a liberal supply of literature in these various foreign languages. We find these foreigners eager to read something in their own tongue.

Such a mission need not be confined to only one nation or language, but rather work for several at the same time. This plan has proved to be successful where it has been tried. That which is of first importance in such a work is to find the right class of individuals to head the mission. Persons with the needed experience and tact to know how to deal with all these different elements and temperaments, large-hearted and generous, filled with love and sympathy for these people, and at the same time using good judgment and discretion.

This foreign field in our own country is a large and needy one. Yes, a neglected field. Are there not those on whom the Lord is laying a special burden for this line of work? There certainly must be, for it can not be that this class of people shall continue to be neglected.

This is by no means a barren field. It has been demonstrated that where earnest and well directed efforts have been put forth, they have been very

successful. We plead that this line of missionary effort be made a subject of prayer, that God will lay the burden of this work upon such as He would have engaged in this work. We invite correspondence, and will be glad to render any assistance we can. Our address is 3645 Ogden Avenue, Chicago, Ill.



West Kansas Conference

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Among the Churches

N. T. Sutton

Since my last report, I have visited the following churches: Preston, Liberal, Sterling, Argonia, and the Hill Academy.

The membership of the Preston Church has been reduced, by some of the members having moved away. However, we are thankful for the words of our Saviour, in which He stated, "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." We believe that He verified this promise in our meetings at Preston.

At Liberal, I found the brethren of good courage. One young lady has recently united with the church, as a result of the work of some of the young people. The church school there is doing good work, under the tutorship of Brother Chas. E. Dunlap.

At Argonia, two families have moved near the church, and this has increased the membership at that place. Because of sickness, at the time of my visit there, the attendance was small. However, we enjoyed the study of the Word together, and I am sure that we felt strengthened as a result of the studies which we had.

While at Sterling we held three meetings, in which the Lord blessed in the study of His Word. There seemed to be some interest manifested on the part of some who are not of our faith. We trust that our brethren there will have the opportunity of leading them into all the truth.

At the Hill Academy, Professor VanKirk was with us for several

days. His labor for the students and his counsel were much appreciated. As a result of the meetings at that place, six made a start in the Christian life. While the attendance at the school is small, yet there seems to be a good spirit prevailing among the students. A board meeting was held at this time, in which the finances of the school were considered.

My brethren, in these days when God is pouring out His Spirit, let us be willing for Him to be free to accomplish through us His marvelous work. "Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvelous work among this people, even a marvelous work and a wonder; for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid."

Herndon

B. H. Shaw

Up to the present writing, the actual results of our work here may be summarized as follows: Fifteen have taken their stand for the truth, and the Sabbath-school has increased from nine to about forty.

We have had a long, steady pull of about fifteen weeks, but the Word presented in weakness carried the power of God with it. Prejudice has broken down, and the most searching truths have found a welcome in honest hearts.

One gratifying feature of the work is the way in which the newcomers are working for others. As my work here is wholly confined to the Swedish people, this has been a source of great help to me, as well as to them. One of the most capable and influential men has actually been giving Bible studies to some of the Swedish people who have difficulty in understanding English. Two months ago, he was fighting the truth; but God gave him a new heart, and he confessed in public testimony that God was stronger than he, and that everlasting love had prevailed.

I might add that a family, living twenty miles distant, visited here and attended two meetings. As is usual, they dropped in when the Sabbath was being presented. What they heard interested them deeply, because some friends had sent them some tracts. When they got home, they found a copy of "Bible Readings" in an old, deserted house. They began at once to study it with deep interest. As a result, it is reported that the wife is keeping the Sabbath.

Brethren, do you think this just "happened"? No! a thousand times no! God was watching over that precious volume, and He led them there. When the rewards are given, some faithful canvasser will rejoice.

The work is not finished here, as we are expecting one or more to decide soon, and outside interests are springing up. Pray for us here.

Ordination

N. T. Sutton

Brother John Boehm was ordained to the gospel ministry Sunday evening, January 26, at Shaffer, Kans. Brother Boehm labored with Elder Shrock last summer, in the German language. After camp-meeting, he returned to the German Seminary at Clinton, Mo. While at the Seminary, he answered a call to go to South America to labor.

It was thought best to ordain Brother Boehm before he left the United States for his new field of labor. Consequently, arrangements were made for this service on the date mentioned above. Elder Haffner, Professor Grauer, and the writer were present. It was a very impressive ceremony, and the Spirit of God was present, and we believe that heaven approved of the act. A very interesting and impressive program was rendered by the members of the Shaffer Church. I am sure it will be an evening long remembered by all who were present.

Brother Boehm and his wife will sail for South America about February 6. We trust that God's blessing may accompany them on their journey, and that they may accomplish in that field just what God desires.

This is the first gift to the mission field from the West Kansas Conference, in the way of laborers.

An Encouraging Report

Katie E. Mayer

I esteem it a great privilege to write a brief report of my work for the year 1912.

During the past year, I have sold 307 books, 242 magazines, and distributed 65 Harvest Ingathering Signs; receiving \$6.82 for foreign missions.

I have only put in about one-third of my time in the canvassing work, as I had other work to do.

I know the dear Lord has blessed me in my efforts, and to Him be all praise and honor.

I have also had the privilege of giving some Bible readings, and have had some rich experiences in this work.

I trust my labor will prove a blessing to those with whom I come in contact, and hope to do more the ensuing year than in the past.

I wish an interest in the prayers of the OUTLOOK family.

News Items

N. T. Sutton

Brother E. Harris and Brother M. W. Shidler attended the bookmen's convention at Mountain View, Cal.

Elder C. A. Beeson of Gandy, Nebr., has been visiting Brother B. W. Maxwell and family of Gypsum, Kans. The Elder formerly labored in the Kansas Conference.

Elder T. Godfrey, who formerly labored in the Kansas Conference, is visiting some of his friends in the state at this time.

Alice E. Reid has been very busy with office work during the absence of Brother Harris.

Sister Lizzie Sutton reports that one of her Bible readers has promised to obey the truth.

Elder W. L. Nott was called to the Kansas Sanitarium on account of his wife's illness.

A meeting of the Hill Academy board was held January 16. Professor VanKirk was present and rendered valuable counsel.

Sister A. S. Bringle is visiting for a few days with her husband, who is holding a series of meetings at Gypsum.

Elder M. G. Huffman has been invited to hold a series of meetings in the Christian Church at Hill City, Kans.

Sister Eunice Crawford left Hutchinson Thursday to spend some time among the churches in the southeastern part of the conference.

"No chance has brought this ill to me, 'Tis God's sweet will; so let it be; He seeketh what I can not see. There is a need-be for each pain, And He will make it one day plain That earthly loss is heavenly gain!"

Nebraska Conference

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"Shall We Pay the Lord While We Owe Others?"

J. W. Christian

The above question was asked in the *Sunday-school Times* of November 18, 1911, by an "honest inquirer." The same question is often asked by Seventh-day Adventists who really desire to be honest with God, but have outstanding obligations to meet. The reply given in the *Sabbath-school Times* is so clear that we will give it here. Let all give careful heed to its counsel.

"Should we be dishonest with God in order to be honest with men? Should we ignore a *preferred* creditor,—one who because of our pledges to him and his claims upon us, has a prior demand over all others—in order to pay an ordinary creditor? Should we steal here and there, break promises from time to time, in order to secure those whom we owe? As there can be but one answer to these questions, so there can be but one answer to any question as to postponing our current obligation to God while we meet our obligations to men. It seems undeniable, from scripture and experience, that God will take care of us better, and pay off our debts faster, with nine-tenths of our income than with ten-tenths. The one tenth that belongs to God is no more ours to give to another creditor than the money in our neighbor's purse is ours to pay our debts with.

Whatever we may have failed to do in times past in paying the tithe, the least that we can do is to pay it in full from this time forward. That is what was referred to by 'current obligations to the Lord.' If we are in arrears in our tithing for years back, and we are led to believe that God is asking us to recognize and pay off to Him that tithe also, it may be obviously impossible to liquidate that debt in full before we spend a cent for any other obligation. But we *can begin to-day* to meet our current debt to God by using, from this day on, only the nine-tenths of our income, and setting apart for the Lord the one-tenth that is His. He promises to bless us in this, as He can in no other way."

As a people, we believe that the rendering of an honest tithe to God

is plainly taught in the Bible as the observance of the Sabbath. Many are loosing great blessings because they *invent* excuses for not paying the Lord His own. Never has the Lord given us permission to speculate with His means. This is to be used for the extension of His cause in the earth. Let us not turn the tithe from its rightful channel by any means that may be presented to us.

Bartley

C. J. Paulson

Three weeks ago, I commenced a series of meetings four miles north of Bartley, and have had a very good attendance. Some are very much interested, but of course I do not know what the outcome will be.

The company that took their stand at Freedom a few months ago are of good courage. They have prayer meeting every Wednesday evening, and seem to be a very happy company.

North Missouri Conference

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What We Did in 1912

E. E. Farnsworth

I am certain that we are all sorry that we did not fully meet our aim in raising fifteen cents per week per member last year, but we should not be discouraged. The statements given show that we were behind \$1,133. However, we were not really behind that much. At the beginning of the year, we find that the mission fund was overdrawn in the vicinity of \$200, and to keep the books straight, this deficiency had to be supplied from the offerings this year. The actual offerings this year lack only about \$900 of meeting the desired amount. So you see our real standing is better than what appears in the printed reports. What will it be at the end of this year? A surplus? Of course it will, and you will all help to make it thus, and we will all begin *now* to make that possible.

Pattonburg, Mo.

Although ours is only a home school, still we are glad to be counted in the church school circle. Our school is held in the home of Brother W. B. James. It began October 17, 1912. We have five pupils in attendance, and the first five grades are taught. As far as possible, we are using the books published by our

people, especially the "True Education Readers" and "Bible Lessons." The children have made excellent grades so far, and a good interest is shown. A good Christian influence is manifested in the school, and all are working with the aim of being laborers in the cause of God. With the blessing of God, we hope that this may be accomplished.

Lizzie Lothian, Teacher.

Wyoming Conference

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Office Notes

Mrs. Asa Smith

We have just learned that the Canton, Nebr., Sabbath-school has been discontinued, owing to the small attendance, but we have invited the remaining ones to join our state home department of Sabbath-schools for isolated members.

Miss Alta M. Lackey of Mitchell, Nebr., writes that she is now located in Loveland, Colo.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Johnson of Whitney, Nebr., passed through Crawford a few days ago on their way to the sanitarium at College View, where they expect to receive medical aid. Mr. Johnson is not a believer in the third angel's message, but is quite favorable to our institutions and their work.

We have just received a good canvassing report from Miss Fannie Adams of Hemingford, Nebr. She reports \$117.25 worth of orders for the week ending January 17. Her report will appear later.

Mrs. Theo. M. Nelson of Beeton, Wyo., is now visiting relatives in College View, Nebr.

In the next issue of the OUTLOOK will be seen an obituary of Sister Hill, one of the members of the Broadwater Church. We regret that another of our members has passed away; but we are glad that she died with a love for the third angel's message.

By the time this paper is in your hands, we expect that Asa Smith will again be in the office to resume his duties and attend to your wants.

Mrs. H. E. Tillotson has returned to her home at Cascade and reports that her health is much improved.

South Missouri Conference

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Notes

Mrs. F. A. Washburn

As it has been some time since I sent notes to the OUTLOOK, I thought possibly some of the readers would like to read a few words in regard to the work in our conference. Will say that the work seems to be moving forward, and we are receiving some very good and encouraging reports from churches and isolated members. We have a membership of about seventy in our conference church, and besides this we have about eighty-five scattered members. Many of these are very faithful in tithes and offerings for the work. Some sent \$5.00 for our thirteenth Sabbath offering, and many almost that amount. Some of our isolated sisters are rejoicing because their husbands have taken their stand with them on the side of truth.

Our church in Springfield is growing spiritually, and last Sabbath as the systematic tract work was presented to the church at the monthly missionary meeting, it met with a hearty response. It was voted to take up this work, and we look forward for good results. This is surely a good work, and I wish that all our churches would take up this line of work. A working church does not have time for trials; they do not stand around and find fault with the members, as their ideal in life is far above that.

The special Missionary Volunteer program was not carried out on the day specified, as some of our members were not able to attend on account of sickness; and there being so few young people here, it was thought best to put it off for a couple of weeks. Elder McLay took up the time, giving some very good instructions to the young people, and urging the older members to take a greater interest in our youth and children than heretofore.

We have received a very good report of the work which is being done in the church school at Versailles. The small children in the Bible class have learned to repeat the ten commandments, tell what was created on each day of creation week, tell the story of Jesus from His birth to His baptism, and repeat many Bible texts. These were children who hardly knew what it meant to speak of Jesus and the Bible. We can not

tell what the outcome will be when we gather the little ones and teach them the truth; but we do know that many times the pleadings of children have brought their parents and loved ones to the Lord; so let us work for the children.

We are glad to report that most of our churches have willingly and gladly taken up the new system of bookkeeping, and we feel sure that the rest will fall in line.

Our Sabbath-schools are surely progressing. Was very much pleased with the promptness of the secretaries; for they all responded without a second letter, except one new school, which did not fully understand it. Next week I hope to send in the quarterly report. In closing up the books, I find that the Sabbath-school offerings for the last six months were more than double that of the previous months.

We have much to praise the Lord for in this conference, and I believe that our people are awakening to the times in which we are living, and we look for greater results in the work this year than we have ever witnessed in this field. May each member in the conference take hold of the work with renewed zeal and energy, and let us remember to pray for the work in our homeland as well as throughout the great harvest field.

St. Louis Colored Church

U. S. Willis

Some time has passed since I have had a report appear in the OUTLOOK; but, regardless of our silence, the work has been moving steadily onward.

At the beginning of last year, we laid plans for raising our quota for missions. We succeeded in raising \$9.09 over the amount. This year our quota is much larger, but by the help of the Lord, we are determined not to fall behind. We have already begun to work to that end. The children of the church are taking hold with enthusiasm. One little girl, eight years of age, has persuaded her mother to give her a couple of hens. She has three now. With these she hopes to raise her \$7.80 for missions. Children can not always raise such a large amount, but I am sure that God is pleased to have them put forth efforts to accomplish it. He expects the children and youth to proclaim the message in various ways.

The first of January, 1912, our membership numbered nineteen, five of whom were dropped, one by letter. At this writing our membership

is thirty-eight. I am sure that God still has many honest souls in this city who are longing for the message of truth.

Though there are thousands of colored people in our conference, this is the only place where there are believers.

Brother Gaskin and I anticipate beginning work in some other city next summer. The committee will decide later on this subject.

We solicit the prayers of the OUTLOOK family for the work here.

East Colorado Conference

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Work among the Colored People

J. W. Owens

We reached our new field of labor Nov. 21, 1912. Realizing something of the work which is to be accomplished, we began at once. Our first meeting with the Third Church of Denver was December 7. During this meeting, the Lord came in by His Spirit and blessed us with a mind to work. Since then the progress of the work has been very encouraging.

During the past month, our experiences have been many. We find the people very hard to reach, yet the Lord has blessed us in gaining an entrance into quite a good many homes. The number of our Bible readings are gradually increasing. The week of prayer, shorn of all formality, was indeed a real blessing to us. It was expressed by several, that this week of prayer was the best in their experience. What a difference in taste of the same food to a man who is hungry and to one who is not.

Our Sabbath-school is progressing nicely, and new ones are added occasionally. On January 25, we organized a young people's Missionary Volunteer Society, with a full corps of officers. We believe that this society will prove to be an avenue through which many souls will be led into the truth. Each one seems to be filled with a sense of his individual responsibility for the success of the work, and plans are being laid for systematic service.

We hold our services in the chapel of the People's Presbyterian Church. While this place is not suitable for the message we have to give, yet we hope to remain here until the Lord provides some other way. We are planning to buy, as soon as we can find a suitable place, and within our reach. It is all essential that we do

this, in order to establish this phase of the work here and gain some influence with the people of this city. You who are acquainted with the former history of the work here will realize the importance of the step that we are now taking. We have already something above \$400 in cash and pledges for this purpose, and with our spirits revived, we are planning to make another dash for the goal.

We most earnestly solicit your prayers in this worthy cause.



What Is Our Responsibility?

M. B. Van Kirk

What should we expect from our church schools? Why is the effort made to multiply the number and to increase the efficiency of these elementary schools? What is the nature of the responsibility that rests on parents who know and live the faith of the third angel's message? These, among others, are questions that are constantly arising in the hearts of many Seventh-day Adventists.

It will not be the purpose of this article to attempt an answer to all of these questions that will be the final solution, but only to awaken an interest, if possible, in the mind of the reader to investigate for himself.

From the book "Education," page 225, the following is quoted: "Character building is the most important work ever committed to human beings;" and it seems to the writer that this quotation suggests at least a part of the answer to the first question. We have a right to expect that the association with Christian men and women will have a great influence in correct character building. The last part of the sentence quoted above reads, "And never before was its diligent study so important as now."

The sort of character building that should most interest us as parents now, is such as is suggested in 2 Pet. 1:4: "Whereby are given to us exceeding great and precious promises, that by these we might be made partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust." A character de-

veloped according to these principles will stand throughout eternity.

Again, "Evolution in its kindred errors is taught in schools of every grade, from the kindergarten to the college. Thus the study of science, which should impart a knowledge of God, is so mingled with the speculations and theories of men that it tends to infidelity." "Education," page 227. Do you want such a foundation laid for the future character of your son or daughter? Why make the church schools more in number, and why increase their efficiency? Can you not, each one, answer that question?

The responsibility resting upon fathers and mothers is forcefully stated in the next quotation from page 244 of "Education": "Fathers and mothers and teachers need to appreciate more fully the responsibility and honor that God has placed upon them, in making them, to the child, the representatives of Himself." And again: "Happy...the child to whom the tenderness and justice and longsuffering of father and mother and teacher interpret the love and justice and longsuffering of God; the child who by trust and submission and reverence towards his earthly protectors learns to trust and obey and reverence God. He who imparts to child or pupil such a gift, has endowed him with a treasure more precious than the wealth of all ages,—a treasure as enduring as eternity."

Can not all see at least a partial answer to the queries in the first paragraph of this article?



Hastings, Nebraska, Sanitarium

Geo. A. Wililams

I am reminded that I have been remiss in my duty to the OUTLOOK and to our people in general. Each week as the OUTLOOK comes to my desk, I scan its pages for news from the field and am disappointed when no word comes from our various workers and institutions. No doubt others have been disappointed in seeing no report from the sanitarium at Hastings.

The year just past has been a very busy one for us and one filled with evidences of God's care and guidance. Our patronage has been the

best in the history of the work here. In almost every phase of public life there is a "dull season," a time when business is slack. Nothing of this kind has come to us during the year 1912, but almost continuously throughout the year we have been crowded to the limit, sometimes to the extent that the writer has given up his room for the use of a patient and has gone to the hospitable home of Doctor Hahn for shelter.

Not only the capacity of the building has been taxed, but our splendid corps of loyal nurses have worked almost beyond endurance. I cannot refrain from a word of commendation of our sanitarium family, for to them under God is due largely the credit for the measure of success that has come to the Hastings Sanitarium during the past year. When the same spirit of loyalty and faithful service is seen in all branches of our work, then the giving of the gospel message will be quickly finished. May the dear Lord hasten the day.

Our books for the year 1912 have been closed and we have before us the result of the year's work. I am sure a few financial items will be of interest to our people throughout the Union Conference. Our work for the year totals something over \$28,000.00, which sum includes about \$2,000.00 of charity work, this being an average of about \$2,350.00 for each month of the year. For an institution of this size, we think this is very gratifying. The items that follow will show what disposition has been made of a part of these funds after our operating expenses have been provided for. We have installed and have paid for fire escapes \$300.00, and an electric elevator \$1,000.00. For real estate we have paid \$600.00. Operating table, instruments and other apparatus have been purchased to the amount of \$250.00. Office fixtures including safe and typewriter \$115.00. Beside this we have given the Lord His tithe and have donated \$300.00 to help the Loma Linda College of Medical Evangelists. We do not care to dwell too much upon the financial phase of our work, although we must own that it is exceedingly gratifying to know that we have been able to meet every bill, that the interest on our indebtedness has been taken care of and that we have not been compelled at any time to increase our indebtedness in any manner.

In the character of our work, we trust we are making advancement, though we confess with humiliation our shortcomings and unworthiness. We have sought at every step to take

God into account in each feature of our work, both the family and the professional. Each morning the family meets for worship and earnest prayers go up to God for His guidance. Every case that comes in for surgery is first taken to God and no work of this character is taken up until His guidance and blessing is sought. We are thankful that our nurses enter most heartily into the spiritual phase of the sanitarium work. It would do our people good to see their faces light up with joy and happiness as they recount their conversations with the patients and tell how this or that one has asked questions with regard to the Sabbath or other points of our faith which is so dear to all of us.

There is one feature of our work, however, that is not satisfactory and which I feel must receive our careful consideration. It is the question of the home for our nurses. During the four years the Hastings Sanitarium has been in operation, they have been huddled up in rented rooms outside the sanitarium wherever the rooms could be obtained. The best that could be secured has been furnished them, but it goes without saying that they are anything but satisfactory for the reason that private residences are not built for this purpose. Not only is this very unsatisfactory, but it is very expensive as the cost of heat and light is away out of proportion to what it would be if they were where someone could look after them, and the rental paid is considerably more than the interest would be on an investment necessary to supply our girls with good home accommodations.

The volume of our work increasing as it is demands that we add to our corps of workers and this in turn renders it imperative that we provide a home for them in keeping with the character of our work. I do not know how to escape the conclusion that we must either enlarge our present sanitarium building or erect a new building for a dormitory. We have taken up the work for another year with good courage, believing that God has still better days for the Hastings Sanitarium, and that if we are faithful to the trust imposed in us, the light of the third angel's message will be caused to shine out from this place in a way that will bring honor to God and save souls in His kingdom.

"Whatever our guiltiness may be, yet when it falleth into the sea of God's mercy, it is but like a drop of blood fallen into the great ocean."



Canvassers' Institutes

C. G. Bellah

Institutes have already been arranged for in most of the conferences of the Central Union. We hope that each reader will carefully observe the dates as given in another place in this issue of the OUTLOOK. The location of each institute will be given later.

We sincerely hope that there will be a good attendance at each of those gatherings. Efficient help will be present at each one. The field agent will be in charge, and of course will be present all the way through. The writer plans to attend each meeting. It is also expected that the conference president and secretary will be present at least a part of the time. S. N. Curtiss, manager of the Kansas City house will attend some of these institutes.

The spiritual phase of the work will be most prominently developed, and Bible studies given each day. Gospel salesmanship, or the art of persuading men, will be carefully considered. How to present our message-filled literature in a powerful, and yet tactful way, will be a part of the daily program. Drill work will also be an interesting item.

Don't forget the date. Prepare to come and enjoy the good things of God with us. You may feel that you are not cut out to be a canvasser, but remember that the Lord is able and willing to do the cutting out. You furnish the material and He will do the rest. We hope that those who cannot possibly attend will earnestly pray that the Spirit of God may be present at every one of these important gatherings.

Canvassers' Institute in the Central Union

Wyoming Feb. 13-23
 East Colorado Feb. 20-Mar. 2
 West Kansas Feb. 27-Mar. 9
 Nebraska Mar. 7-16
 East Kansas Mar. 14-23
 Other dates will be announced later.

The treasurer of the Central Union Conference made deposits of trust funds in the Bank of College View, during the last three days of December and the month of January, amounting to \$34,284.59. Our people throughout the Central Union Conference made a noble response to the call in behalf of missions during the closing days of the old year. All the conferences are entering upon the campaign of 1913 with a spirit of enthusiasm.

Mountain View Convention

H. A. Hebard

We are now nearing home after having attended one of the most profitable booksmen's conventions ever held by the Pacific Press. Nearly every local conference in the Pacific Press territory was represented by both the field agents and tract society secretary. We know that the results of this convention will be seen not only in the home conference but in the worldwide field. One of the brethren attending the convention received a call to China and will leave in a few months. Earnest appeals were made for the translation of our subscription books into foreign tongues to be used among the millions of foreigners in our own country, and the convention asked that immediate steps be taken to publish these books.

A stereopticon lecture given by Brother H. H. Hall showed the gain made by the Pacific Press year by year, and that 1912 was the banner year in its history. The total sales in the Pacific Press territory for the past year were \$460,000. The last slide thrown upon the screen was "One-half Million for 1913." This called forth enthusiastic applause, and each one present pledged himself to do his best to bring about this result. In taking this as our slogan for the Pacific Press territory, we do it with the realization of what it will mean in the spread of the third angel's message and not from the commercial standpoint.

What will Nebraska do is the question that confronts us. We know

that there are many in our conference who could and should be in the canvassing work. We quote the following from a talk given by Sister E. G. White to the convention delegates who gathered at her home January 23:

"The time has come when a large work should be done by our canvassers. The world is asleep, and as watchman they are to give the warning note, to awaken the sleepers to a sense of their danger. The churches know not the time of their visitation. How can they best learn the truth?—Through the efforts of the canvasser. All who consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers, are assisting to give the last message of warning to the world. They are the Lord's messengers, giving to multitudes in darkness and error the glad tidings of salvation."

For the benefit of those who will take up this work we plan to hold an institute from March 7 to 16. The place has not yet been decided upon but will be announced later. Instruction will be given both for those who plan to sell magazines and our subscription books. This will include principles of Christian salesmanship, study of book or magazine and drills in the presentation of the same.

Even if you can not take up the work immediately, plan to attend this institute. Seek God earnestly for guidance and let us hear from you as to whether you will attend.

"Let us be content in work,
 To do the thing we can; and not
 presume
 To fret because it's little."

Canvassers' Report For Week Ending January 24, 1913

South Missouri	Book	Hrs.	Orders	Value	Helps	Total	Del.
J. H. Allred	B. R.	29	35		\$5.55	\$112.05	
F. L. Limerick	B. R.	21	30		3.35	82.85	
H. J. Heady	G. C.	7	2			6 00	
Agents 3		57	67		8.90	200.90	
West Kansas							
Dell Dotson	B. R.	43	31	103.00	50	103.50	
A. H. Bullock	D. & R.	28	3	9.00	1.00	10.00	
C. R. Millar	P. P. & F.	37	9	17.25	1.50	18.75	
J. H. North	C. K. & H.	10	2	3.50	1.10	4.60	3.00
Agents 4		118	45	132.75	4.10	136.85	3.00
Grand Total 7		175	112	132.75	13.00	337.75	3.00

Obituaries

Soucey.—Marsline Garvis was born in Naperville, Canada, Jan. 28, 1825, and died at College View, Nebr., Oct. 18, 1912, aged 87 years, 8 months, and 21 days. She was brought up in the Roman Catholic faith. In 1856, she was married to Francis Soucey, and to this union were born eight children.

Under the labors of Elder D. T. Bordeau, the whole family accepted the truth. Sister Soucey was a devoted, earnest Christian, who loved the truth and rejoiced in it. A few days before her death, I sat by her bedside and talked and prayed with her. She was perfectly resigned to the will of heaven. Her countenance was lighted up with joy, and as she looked upon me, she said, "Brother Andrews, it has been a pleasant path ever since I accepted the present truth."

Her aged husband, six children, and a number of grandchildren mourn her loss.

Professor Griggs, assisted by Elder Hart and the writer, conducted the services at her funeral.

R. F. Andrews.

Review and Herald, please copy.

Norwood.—Job Norwood was born in Ithaca, N. Y., Sept. 10, 1840, and died in College View, Nebr., Dec. 25, 1912, being 72 years, 3 months, and 15 days of age.

He spent between three and four years in the service of his country, during the war of the rebellion, spending ten months of the time as a prisoner of war, and was honorably discharged from service near the close of the struggle which preserved the union.

In March of 1864, he was united in marriage to Lucy D. Ashley, who died at the Nebraska Sanitarium, in College View, April 5, 1900, leaving no issue.

July 18, 1902, he married Catherine Lavarier, who survives him to mourn the loss of a devoted and affectionate husband. He also leaves, as near relatives, a sister, Mrs. Fannie B. Freeland; a brother, William Norwood; and a niece, Mrs. Alice Sparhawk.

He has been a resident of Nebraska over thirty years. Twenty-one years ago, he accepted the views of the Seventh-day Adventists, since which time he has been identified with that people.

In his death, the community in which he lived has lost a kind neigh-

bor, who, by his upright and kindly spirit, endeared himself to all who knew him.

The funeral services were held at his late residence in Curtis, Nebr., and were largely attended by friends and neighbors. Words of comfort and instruction were addressed by the writer, based on the words of the apostle, "The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death."

A. T. Robinson.

A Correction

The tabulated statement of funds published in the *OUTLOOK* of Jan. 21 contains an error in figures which makes the Central Union Conference appear nearly \$1,000.00 farther from its full quota on the fifteen-cent-a-week fund than it really is. It also does an injustice to the record of the South Missouri Conference, in representing that conference as being \$1797.68 behind, instead of \$868.52. This statement was prepared for publication somewhat hastily, before all our accounts were closed up, and the error came about in this way: We added the St. Louis membership to that of South Missouri and through an oversight failed to add in what St. Louis had paid on the fifteen-cent-a-week fund, amounting to \$904.16. A corrected statement will be published in a few days, a copy of which will be placed in the hands of each conference president and treasurer. This statement will show that the whole amount expected of the Central Union Conference would have been \$65,707.20. We raised \$60,084.99, leaving our shortage \$5,622.21.

Sanitarium Crackers

Just to remind you, fearing that you might overlook the fact that we have an excellent line of crackers to offer you, we insert this add. The Salted Sprays and Soup Crackers that we make are very palatable to eat and reasonable in price. Sweetened Graham, Oatmeal and Whole Wheat Crackers and Sticks are undoubtedly the best made for the purpose designed. And then we allow Adventists a discount of 15 per cent on orders amounting to \$5.00 or more.

Do not forget to order Cooking Oil. Only \$4.00 per five gallon can f. o. b. Boulder. Would be glad to quote price on barrel lots and answer inquiries relative to our foods.

Colorado Sanitarium Food Co.,
Boulder, Colo.

Interest on Deposits

Deposit your money with Union College. We pay five per cent interest on money left with us six months or one year. The Central Union Conference Association gives its note.

For Sale.—Small general store, also 40 acres of land, 30 acres broke. Good well and orchard,—pears, peaches, apples, also small fruit. Good house, log barn; farm enclosed with woven wire; fuel and post timber. Object in selling, poor health of wife. Would loan part to Union College. Price, \$2,700.

Also, 240 acres, 100 acres under cultivation; 5 acres of pear orchard, apple orchard, and other fruit trees. Plenty of timber, log house and barn, good well and pond. Price, \$4,000. Object in selling, to get children in church school. Address S. A. Mott, Taneyville, Mo.

For Sale.—A six-room bungalow, three minutes' walk from Campion Academy, Loveland, Colo. Good school, church, and Sabbath-school privileges. One-half acre of garden with permanent water-right. Buildings new, cement walks, good cistern, etc. Address Prof. E. G. Salisbury (the owner), Loveland, Colo.

A strong, healthy, young man, who has recently begun keeping the Sabbath, desires work on the farm with Sabbath-keepers. Any one desiring such help will please correspond with John Essig, Bennington, Kans.

The premium Bible with the *Instructor* is giving good satisfaction, we are told. The *Instructor for one year* with a good Bible, ordinary print, \$2.50, postpaid. Another Bible, with larger print, is given with the *Instructor* for \$3.00, postpaid.

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