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## Was That Somebody You ?

Somebody did a golden deed;  
Somebody proved a friend in need;  
Somebody sang a beautiful song;  
Somebody smiled the whole day long;  
Somebody thought "'tis sweet to live;"  
Somebody said, "I'm glad to give;"  
Somebody fought a valiant fight;  
Somebody lived to shield the right:  
Was that somebody you?

## Canvassing in Winter

An idea seems to prevail to quite an extent that canvassing for our books is practicable only in the warmer seasons of the year, and the canvasser, like the carpenter and mason, must lie up during cold weather. Just where this notion originated is rather hard to determine, but it is a very mistaken notion no matter where it came from. The writer of this article served for several years in the canvassing field and he invariably canvassed winter as well as summer. In fact, I found my winter work more successful on the whole than my summer work. I have canvassed days when the mercury stood at 30 degrees below zero; days when the wind was blowing a savage gale; days when the snow was up to my hips, and many a time I was the first person to pass over a road and break the path through the snow. These experiences did not hurt me a particle and I thoroughly enjoyed them. I found the people with plenty of leisure to look at my book, and the long winter nights suggested to the people the propriety of having a new book to read.

Worldly business does not stop because of winter weather. The king's mail carriers deliver the mails, the rural routes continue just the same. Liverymen take their journeys—in fact everything goes on about the same. Now, friends, why should the business of the King of Kings stop because of cold weather? Preachers should preach, canvassers should canvass, Bible workers should hold Bible studies—in fact all the work of the Third Angel's Message should go forward, winter as well as summer. These are solemn times and the last day is hastening toward us. Every agency should be in continuous and steady operation from now until probation closes.

We appeal to many of our brethren to take up the canvassing work this winter. The new edition of "Bible Readings" is a splendid book to sell. So is our good health book, "Practical Guide to Health." These, in addition to such old-time favorites as "Great Controversy," "Daniel and Revelation" and "Coming King," should be placed in the homes of the people of Canada while a live interest exists because of the war. Sturdy, self-sacrificing men and women are in demand to help finish the work.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

## Ontario

President, M. C. Kirkendall, Oshawa  
Sec-Treas., T. D. Gibson, Oshawa  
Field Missionary Agent, Joseph Capman, Oshawa

### Ontario Conference—Mission Fund

Amount at 20 cents to Dec. 1.....	\$4,734 45
Amount received to Dec. 1.....	4,073 79
Shortage to date.....	\$ 660 66

### London—Petrolia—Chatham

According to appointment I met with the Chatham and Petrolia churches for the week of prayer. To say the least, I never attended better meetings. The Lord came very near to us at all the services, and I believe each one experienced a great refreshing. As we considered the nearness of the end and probation's hours almost finished, our minds naturally turned to those we love by the ties of nature. Tears were shed when we thought of their indifference to the call from God to get ready. Special seasons of prayer were engaged in to plead for them. The backslider who had grown cold, those now in the valley of decision undecided, those reaching out for light, all were brought before the throne of grace. The sick were prayed for and in each case we believe the Lord heard us. Unfortunately one of our aged sisters fell on her way to service and broke her arm. I refer to Sister Capman, of Chatham. Barring this sad occurrence all went well, and all enjoyed the privilege of this week of prayer believing it might be the last we may enjoy in peace. In both places we found the members of good courage and filled with the missionary spirit, which speaks good for the future.

Word from London speaks of a similar experience there. No doubt the latter rain is upon us, and the work may soon be finished. The earnestness of our churches indicates the time is at hand for this outpouring of God's spirit, and when we entirely overcome the world, the flesh and the devil by putting away sin we can expect it. The devil through human agencies will contest every inch of the way, but the Lord of Hosts is with us. Those on the firing line realize this. One little incident might illustrate it. Accidentally I happened into a home when their pastor was paying them a visit. I succeeded in persuading the family to take the "Home Bible Studies" each week. When I called this pastor suddenly made his appearance from behind the door and at once challenged me to answer him, and I accepted the challenge. The Lord gave me just the right words, and the calmer I remained the more excited he became. Finally realizing his complete defeat he reached for his hat and gloves and rushed from the house, forgetting to say good-by to the lady he came to see. To make a long story short this lady, it seems, was considered among the best of his flock. She invited me to remain and talk on the Bible, and I found her well versed in the Scriptures. I spent a full hour answering questions, and found she believed whatever I gave her from the Bible. The result was that her home is now thrown open for Bible studies. To make matters worse, this pastor at once placed an article in the paper warning the public against agents selling Bible studies and books, but mentioned no names nor denominations. The Pastor Russell people thinking he meant them, put in a reply praising the studies and telling the people to read them. How this verifies God's word that the devil is wroth with those that keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus. Nothing can be done against the truth but for it, for the Lord of Hosts is with us, the God of Jacob is our refuge. Knowing this we praise his holy name for these victories over Satan, and trust in his keeping power, which is able to keep us to the end.

We need your prayers for the triumph of God's cause in this part of the field. Since we wrote to the MESSENGER last six have stepped out to keep the Sabbath, for which we give God the glory.

MR. AND MRS. WM. H. BOYCE.

### St. Catherines

Since returning to this place we have been holding services Sunday evenings in the Knights of Malta Hall, assisted by Brother and Sister Sowler.

The attendance has not been large at any time, so we are putting more of our time in at the house to house work with the Home Bible Studies, and we are hoping to get a good list of readers, though the people seem to think as long as they have a Bible and go to church that that is all is necessary.

Mrs. Payne has been giving treatments to a sick baby, with good results to the child, as well as opening the way for holding Bible studies with the family. We are glad for this and hope the results will be to the glory of God. We see a great work to be done and feel our inability to do it, so we ask the prayers of our friends that success may attend our efforts here.

LEONARD PAYNE.

## Quebec

President, A. V. Olson, Montreal.  
Sec-Treas., F. E. Duffy, Montreal, Que.

### Quebec Conference—Mission Fund

Amount at 20 cents to Dec. 1.....	\$1,285 20
Amount received to Dec. 1.....	1,544 11
Amount over to date.....	\$ 258 91

### Among the French in Quebec

During the past year Catholic priests in Montreal, including the archbishop, have made reference to the looseness in Sunday-keeping; have urged the enforcement of Sunday laws, and asked that if the present laws were not stringent enough, new laws be framed. This may not be entirely without reference to the Seventh-day Adventist missionaries in this city coming in conflict with Catholic mobs. At any rate, present indications are that our expectations, based on Rev. 13, may soon be fulfilled.

A few weeks ago Montreal had a visit from the new cardinal, who gave a reception at the City Hall, and thousands took occasion to bow the knee publicly to the new prince of the church and to kiss his ring.

This homage was paid a few days ago at a box at the Monument National to Archbishop Bruchesi and his assistant, Bishop Gautier, during a mass meeting in favor of the Catholic minority in Ontario, where the French Catholics are said to be denied the privilege of learning their own tongue in the public schools. The archbishop said among other things on that occasion, that the retaining of the Catholic faith by the French people was conditioned on the retaining of their mother tongue.

Last week a French Protestant gathering at Ste. Scholastique proceeded to the re-burial of one of their members, who had been violently snatched away by his Catholic relatives and buried in the unhallowed corner of the Catholic cemetery. The second burial had been ordered by a decision of the Montreal court.

The 10,000 War Extra of our French magazine has all been sold or distributed, 8,000 in and around Montreal, and 2,000 in Quebec City, where Brother Argyle Taylor is working. He has been able to do his work unmolested on the whole. Recently Brother Taylor wrote the following to the chief of police:

"To the Honorable Chief of Police, City Hall, Quebec:

"Dear Sir:—

"I take this liberty to call your attention to the ungentle-

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supplied for one-half cent a copy in hundred lots, whereas  
the same matter in tract form would cost the worker two  
cents a copy.

The Present Truth Series has been brought into ex-  
istence in compliance with the appeals often sent to us  
in connection with making plans through which the  
church may be a strong factor in giving the message.  
For more than twenty years we have been told that:  
"The very simplest modes of work should be devised and set  
in operation among the churches. If members will co-operate  
with such a plan, and perseveringly carry it out, they will  
reap a rich reward, for their experience will grow brighter,  
their ability will increase through exercise, and souls will be  
saved by their efforts". . . "God expects his church to discipline  
and fit its members for the work of enlightening the world.  
But let no one feel that because he is not educated he cannot  
be expected to take part in the work. God has a work for  
you to do. He has given to every man his work. Well organ-  
ized work must be done in the church, that its members may  
understand the manner in which they may impart light to  
others, and thus strengthen their own faith and increase  
their knowledge. As they impart the light which God gra-  
ciously bestows upon them to those in darkness, they will be  
confirmed in the faith. A working church is a living church."

Ask your Tract Society to send you a descriptive  
circular containing plans for using the Series.

## "Testimonies" Complete in Three Volumes

The nine volumes of Testimonies for the Church  
have just been printed on Oxford Bible India paper, and  
are bound in a set of three red limp leather covered vol-  
umes. In this form they weigh but a little over four  
pounds, and bulk less than one-third of the regular edi-  
tion.

Owing to the war and the attending difficulty of im-  
porting paper from England, an edition of but 700 sets  
is being issued. Orders for 383 sets have already been  
received. The price per set is \$12.00, postpaid. Vol-  
ume 1 is now ready, and will be delivered upon receipt of  
order from your tract society.

The new book, "The World's Crisis in the Light of  
Prophecy," is not yet ready, and those who have ordered  
this book are requested to reorder when notice is given  
that the book is printed.

## Our Message Song

We are glad to be able to announce to our people  
everywhere that we have a limited supply of the song  
"The Breaking of the Day," with an additional stanza  
added, on hand now. We can highly recommend this  
song, and it certainly is stirring. Price 10 copies for  
25 cents. Send all orders to F. W. Paap, General Con-  
ference Office, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C.

## Shall Peace Follow This War?

It will; the Bible says so. The January *Signs* maga-  
zine cites the texts and elucidates upon them. During  
that short period of time when God will be doing  
a mighty finishing work, the world will say, "Wars  
are forever ended and the millennium is about to be  
realized." If the masses could only have access to the  
message which this article contains what a blessed good  
thing it would be.

## What do You Carry in Your Pocket?

One thing that ought to be there all during the year  
1915 is the five-cent, pocket-edition of the book of Mat-  
thew. Each member of the Sabbath-school should have  
a copy as an aid in studying the lesson daily. The senior  
division greatly enjoyed the pocket edition of the book of  
Romans, but this time the children, too, may share in the  
pleasure. Teachers of children may well provide this  
five-cent gift for their pupils and encourage its use.

THE MESSENGER was not issued last week, in accord  
with the custom to omit two issues at different times  
during the year.

ORDERS which have been received for "A Retrospect"  
cannot be filled just now because the books are delayed  
in England by the war.

The following statement shows the Number of  
copies of the Harvest Ingathering *Review* ordered in  
1913 and 1914, and the amount received for each year:

	1913	Amt. Recd.	1914 To date	Amt. Recd.
Ontario.....	6,229	\$1,162.59	11,635	\$1,097.66
Maritime.....	4,983	856.88	5,380	660.78
Quebec.....	1,865	257.07	3,780	371.81
Newfoundland.....	1,200	208.71	1,700	185.85

## Choice Books—Special

Half leather Bible Readings, good, \$1.00 postpaid.  
Story of Seer of Patmos, 60 cents postpaid.  
Home and Health, cloth, \$1.25 postpaid.  
Great Controversy, cloth, slightly soiled, \$1.25 postpaid.  
Ladies' Guide, half leather, \$1.25 postpaid.  
At Canadian Publishing Association, Oshawa.

manly and malicious behaviour of one of the police toward me (who seems to belong to No. 4 Station). I will say that my only offense is selling and gratuitously circulating temperance and religious periodicals, papers and magazines, for the betterment of our fellow-beings.

"Now if your Honor would be so good as to ask this man to cease his wicked abuse and persecution, I shall esteem it a very great favor. Very respectfully,

"A. M. T."

Thanks to the success attending the sale of our French Magazine, we have decided to publish it as a quarterly, which will enable us to give the message to the people more fully and more rapidly. We ask your prayers in favor of this means of spreading the truth, when other means seem to fail. J. VUILLEUMIER.

### Maritime

President, M. M. Hare, Amherst, N. S.  
 Sec-Treas., Lulu Van Buskirk, Amherst, N. S.

#### Maritime Conference—Mission Fund

Amount at 20 cents to Dec. 1.....	\$2,258 55
Amount received to Dec. 1.....	1,935 31
Shortage to date .....	323 24

### Williamsdale

It was my pleasant privilege to spend two days at Williamsdale academy this week. A drive of twelve miles took me from the beaten paths of travel to the quiet retreat on the Cobequid mountains, where our Maritime brethren are maintaining a fine little school with an enrolment of about thirty students. The school is making good progress. The faculty is composed of L. O. Machlan, the principal; N. H. Saunders, preceptor, and Miss Gladys Machlan, preceptress.

Thorough work is being done in the branches taught, and the students seem to be making good progress. I conducted the week of prayer services during my stay, and I was more than pleased with the spiritual standing of the school. Recently quite a number of the students were baptized by Elder Hare, and but two or three remain who have not fully yielded themselves to the Lord. The Williamsdale academy family seems to be a very happy one, and contentment is one of its cardinal virtues. Some of our people have expressed the wish that the academy was nearer town and a little easier of access. I have an idea that the time will come when we will be

very thankful that this institution is as much out of the way as it is. When persecution breaks loose our schools will be closed first. Those farthest away from the haunts of man are likely to escape the longest. Many more of our Maritime young people should be at Williamsdale. If all of them realized the shortness of time, and the importance of gaining a preparation for service, more would put forth an earnest effort to gain an education at our school.

I was very much pleased to observe the good strong work being done at Williamsdale, and I bespeak for the institution the hearty support and co-operation of our loyal people. M. N. CAMPBELL.

### The Present Truth Series

Beginning in January a series of twenty-five or thirty Extras of the *Review*, *Signs*, and *Watchman* will be issued simultaneously until the series is completed.

This series is issued to meet a persistent demand of long standing for a cheap and effective series of leaflets with which to carry on systematic missionary work by the rank and file of our people. It has been provided, and its plan of circulation arranged in an attempt made by our leaders to comply with the instruction given over and over again to the church, to meet a demand for good cheap literature to be used in simple and effective missionary work. For years we have had message after message, appeal upon appeal, and warnings many, in connection with engaging all of our members in active service.

This series will be made up in the form of an illustrated four-page document, 11 by 16 inches in size, and available at pound rates, it being regular second-class matter. It will cover quite comprehensively, when the series is completed, every leading feature of the Third Angel's Message, each issue dealing fully and exclusively with one general topic.

Each issue of this series will contain as much reading as a 32-page tract on each subject. Besides this matter will be presented in the more appreciated form of an illustrated periodical, and can be mailed by Tract Societies at pound rates—one cent a pound instead of two ounces for one cent. The cost of this attractive matter is also greatly reduced to the worker, it being

### Quebec Conference Report for November, 1914.

Churches	Title	Que. Work	H. I.	Missions	Sab. School	Weekly	Total
Montreal English	\$ 65 36	\$	\$ 34 29	\$1 25	\$ 4 80	\$	\$ 105 70
Montreal French	20 70		53 55		12 83	16 00	103 08
Fitch Bay	7 50	1 00	6 95		1 88		17 33
North Hatley	93				4 12		5 05
Sherbrooke	17 90		16 87				34 77
S. Stukely	48 53	20 00	80 00	2 80	4 75		156 08
Individuals	10 00						10 00
Totals	\$170 92	\$21 00	\$191 63	\$ 4 05	\$28 38	\$16 00	\$432 01

F. E. DUFFY Sec. Treas.