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Are You Getting Ready?

The Harvest Ingathering Campaign for 1916 is only about eight weeks distant and it is time that we were laying careful plans for making it a thoroughgoing success in this field. Each year has added to the capability of our people as solicitors for this fund and we hope that this year will add materially to our accomplishments. Last year many feared that on account of the war and the numerous demands made upon the public to aid patriotic and Red Cross funds we would not fare well in our efforts to raise funds for missions through the Harvest Ingathering Campaign. These fears did not prove to be very well grounded, for we raised more money by that means last year than in any previous year. The Lord gave special help and blessed the efforts our people put forth. The persistent solicitation of the public by Red Cross and patriotic fund representatives really plowed the ground for us. Giving is a habit. The more people give the more inclined they are to give. We can be thankful that the habit was established through the work of others. We may now reap the advantage.

It is hoped that every church will lay careful plans for the working of the territory nearest to them. Organization and planning count for much in a campaign of this character. Orders for the Ingathering *Signs* should be sent in now. Order more than you did last year with a view to using more and se-

curing larger returns from the effort. These papers are absolutely free to all who will use them in soliciting offerings for missions. It would be unfortunate, however, to allow any of these choice papers to remain unused. I have had the privilege of seeing a copy of the paper to be used this year and it is certainly a fine thing. It contains matter that will set our true position before the people in a correct light. Its influence is bound to be helpful wherever it is circulated.



ATTENDANTS AT NEWFOUNDLAND GENERAL MEETING

Now, let us plan for a strenuous campaign in October. Some may desire to begin earlier than that. Send in your orders to the Canadian Publishing Association, Oshawa, Ontario, stating when you desire the papers and everything will be done to get them to you in time.

May the Lord stir us all to consecrated activity in the Harvest Ingathering Campaign for 1916.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

ONTARIO

Delivering

Of course you will have your date set for making your delivery. Next give yourself plenty of time to secure your books from the publishing house, say at least three weeks by freight.

You will send to each subscriber a notification card at least a week before your delivery. The pub-

lishing house furnishes these cards free. Send to them for your cards. On each card is a printed form easily filled out, and they are very effective. They call the people's attention to the fact that they have ordered a book, that it is coming at a certain time, and they must prepare to meet it. Generally speaking, you will find the people waiting for you with the right change. Many times they have said to me, "I received your card and have been looking for you," and would bring out the exact amount. It is a good plan to fill out these cards on the "odd job" day, Sunday, during your canvassing, and not lose any valuable time which might be put in securing more orders.

Go to a livery stable and secure a good horse. These horses are accustomed to traveling and can do a good day's work. Livery men have a special rate for commercial travelers which can be gotten if you ask for it. But I believe it would be far better to hire an auto at five or even eight dollars a day than take a horse. We are living in a time when you must get a move on. Plan your trip by carefully marking out your route on the map. Then with books in auto or buggy start for the first home. As soon as the car stops, make a bee line for the house. Rap sharply at the door, and as soon as it is opened tear the wrapper off the book and say (calling the person by name), "Mrs. Jones, I am here with your book that you ordered from me," and hand it to her with an air of confidence as if you really expected her to take it. If she should ask you to come in tell her you really haven't time, you have an auto hired and want to make every minute count. I imagine I hear her footsteps as she quickly seizes the money and returns with it held out at arm's length. Then as she watches that streak of dust going down the road headed for neighbor Brown's home with the next order, she could say that surely we are living in a fast age. In your hurry do not forget to thank the lady for her kindness and thank the Lord for his goodness. You may have to help one or two secure the money for you by suggesting they borrow it from a neighbor, write you out a check, call up some business man and arrange with him, or some plan whereby it can be done.

When you are through you will of course want to settle your business. First you will pay for your horse or car. Then the publishing house owns part of the money you have received if you did not pay cash for your books. You would not think of using their money. Don't delay in sending it, you may lose it. Go at once and send a money order to the publishing house, and I am sure they will appreciate your honesty and business ability and will have confidence in you. They will esteem it a pleasure to do business with you and your fame will follow you all the days of your life.

J. CAPMAN.

Essex

The writer visited the brethren at Essex, Sabbath, July 22. There are only three members living at this place, however a Sabbath school is held each week at Brother Payne's home. Last Sabbath there were twelve at the meeting. We were glad to meet Sister Clark of Wabash who was then taking orders in the town of Essex for "Bible Readings" and selling small books. Brother Haddock of Chatham and Brother Sack of Albion meet with us.

We are surely living in a time when things are done quickly. Brother Sweeten telephoned to Brother Shirk to have dinner with us and attend the afternoon service. Brother Sweeten went over in his car, a distance of twelve miles, and it seemed only a few minutes until he was back. It used to be the ox-cart, then the horse, now the auto, possibly the flying machine next, and then those living chariots to the Holy City.

Misses Whitmore and Dedeker from Emmanuel Missionary College, Berrien Springs, were there. These girls have had splendid success in the colporteur work. They have gone out into the highways and are placing in the homes the truth-filled books that give the invitation to the marriage supper of the Lamb. They have their goal set and are pressing on toward the mark. They have set our girls an example, and have proved that young ladies can be successful home missionaries, and during vacation can earn a scholarship in our schools.

Two visitors were present as a result of Brother and Sister Payne's house-to-house work with tracts. They have done faithful work with the "Home Bible Studies" and many people are interested as a result.

A testimony meeting was held at the close of the service. All took part in thanking and praising our heavenly Father for all his goodness to us. It was a good meeting. The brethren gave their orders for the Harvest Ingathering *Signs* for missions, and plan to do their part in helping to raise \$100,000, the goal set by the North American Division Conference for 1916. This means about one dollar and thirty cents a member. Of course some may not be able to do their part, and we who can must do much more to make up for others who do not do anything.

J. CAPMAN.

QUEBEC

The Work in Quebec City

After many inconveniences and trying experiences, which space will not permit me to relate here, we began our meetings in the tent Sunday night, July 16. Our advertising consisted of folders and advertisements in both English newspapers, but when

Sunday night came a very severe rain and thunder storm swept over the city and our congregation consisted of only four adults. Following this, very hot weather set in, and this, with the great prejudice against us, has rendered it impossible to have any congregation to speak of.

Stones have been thrown freely at the tent and we have had to pay for special police protection. Quite a few people come and listen outside the tent, but do not wish to be seen on the inside.

Last Sunday night we had the largest congregation and it consisted of less than fifty people. However, we are praying and working and doing all we can to increase the attendance, and hope that before long there will be a change for the better.

Remember us at the throne of grace.

L. F. PASSEBOIS.

The French Canvassing Campaign— Notes From a Diary

Tuesday, July 18 to Sabbath, July 22—Our canvassing band, having worked in Sherbrooke and Lennoxville since campmeeting, has left its moorings and launched into the unknown sea of priest-ridden Quebec. Our first stop was Coaticook, a pleasant town with several French settlements. We were glad to meet Brother and Sister O. P. Terrill, who kindly assisted us in finding a lodging for our company of seven, consisting of my family and the two Guertin sisters.

After a day and a half in Coaticook, we spent Thursday in Lennoxville and Sherbrooke, while on Friday our company left for Richmond, spending Sabbath and Sunday with our people in Trenholm and vicinity. I remained to visit some families in Sherbrooke and hold some meetings in Lennoxville and vicinity.

Sunday, July 23—I find myself in the home of Brother H. E. Wilson near Lennoxville. He feels that he ought to take up the work where his deceased father left it, and is anxious to have his neighbors hear and accept the truth for this time. This morning I called on one of them, a French Catholic who is interested in the commandments of God, the Sabbath, clean meats, etc.

In the afternoon, with Sister H. E. Wilson, I rode out to a French Protestant family already visited with father Wilson and Elder Young. Sitting on the shady side of the barn (it is impossible to stay in the house), a small congregation listen reverently to a study—not on the Millennium as I had expected—but on the Sabbath and the Law, as called for by the head of the family, who led in an earnest prayer.

At eight, we have another French meeting at Brother Wilson's, to which the neighbors come in,

including the family just visited, half of them walking three miles both ways.

Monday, July 24—On my way back to Lennoxville, I stopped to call on a Danish-English family. Mr. S—, an intelligent man with a strong personality, has some of our publications. He has heard Elder Campbell several times and greatly desires to be free from certain doubts about God. I advised him to read the first chapter of "Patriarchs and Prophets," which he promised to do.

After preparing a few articles for *L'Aurore*, I made my way to Sherbrooke where I spent most of the afternoon and evening with a Belgian living in Sister Benny's house. He is an unbeliever and his wife a lukewarm Catholic. He is desirous to learn more about our faith and to read the New Testament, which I shall give them.

Tuesday, July 25—Early this morning I took my bundles to the station, and at 7:30 I left Mrs. Young's hospitable home to join my canvassing band in Richmond. I found them in good spirits and ready to leave for Danville. The noon hour found us lunching at the Danville station. After cooling off under some trees the girls went to work while Mrs. Vuilleumier watched the baggage at the station and I kept track of the workers, supplying them with munitions.

Here I had the unexpected pleasure of meeting mother Martin from Montreal. At 8 P. M. we were again on the train bound for Victoriaville, where we arrived an hour later greatly in need of a place to rest and cool off, which we happily found in the home of a French lady. We thanked God who was caring for us and had sent his angel before us.

Wednesday, July 26—Soon after 5 A. M. I was on the street reconnoitering the place before distributing the territory to the workers. In the outskirts I entered a massive building, the school of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart, surrounded by extensive orchards and grounds. On the first floor I saw a large assembly room. On the third floor, a deep-toned, monotonous voice was conducting some kind of morning worship. In the streets, elderly women wearing white medals pinned with a purple ribbon were going to early mass in honor of St. Anne's day.

As I called at the postoffice for my mail I was pained to learn that mother Gobeille had passed away on the thirteenth of this month. I am glad to think that this aged saint is at rest, but I feel sorry that none of our company could be near her in her dying hours or attend her funeral.

The same mail brought me the intelligence from Montreal that Brother Van Gunten had been accused by some malicious person of talks and actions disloyal to the English cause, and had been cited before a military official who threatened him with deporta-

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tion. Not long after that this same brother, who had been conducting Bible studies at the invitation of members of the Italian Y. M. C. A., was expelled from this society by a vote presided over by an infidel and in which Catholics were invited to take part. This despotic treatment—the leading spirit of which is strongly suspected to be a certain Italian pastor—is calling forth the sympathy of some who love the truth and desire to learn and obey it.

Evening is drawing on; another hot day is over. The workers have finished this town and the neighboring town of Athabaska. They have sold a book to a priest who asked if they were Adventists.

We are packing again to leave in the morning for Three Rivers. So far the protecting hand of God has been over us. Our books call out many questions from the people. They look at us anxiously and ask us queer questions. May God bless the seed sown.

JEAN VUILLEUMIER.

Wedding

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Elder Campbell Thursday evening, July 27, when Mr. Judd Simpson and Miss Bertha Cairns were united in marriage, Elder Campbell officiating. After the wedding supper the happy couple departed on their wedding journey to the eastern part of the Province. Their many friends will wish them every happiness in their wedded life. Brantford will continue to be their home.

WE still have on hand a number of our latest catalogs of publications. If you have not obtained a copy, send for one. CANADIAN PUB. ASSN.

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending July 29, 1916 Ontario

Name	Book	Hours	Value	Total	Del.
Terence Martin	BR	44	\$ 90 00	\$102 50	
John Heaver	BR	57	102 00	103 50	
Oscar Cardey	BR	36	78 00	83 25	
Chas. Joyce	BR	73	15 00	16 00	\$121 50
W Latham	BR	49	84 00	91 50	
L King	BR	48	69 00	75 75	3 75
Hubert Martin	BR	39	60 00	68 00	
John Finch	BR	45	40 00	41 00	
George Butler	BR	51	58 00	58 00	
John Pengelly	CK	50		41 25	
Louise Dedeker	BR	29	40 00	47 50	
Ora Whitmore	BR	22	17 00	19 25	
Chester Shaw	BR				217 00
Roy Sager	BR				23 75
Miss Telford	Ar.	29	25 75	25 75	25
Miss Abray	Ar.	22	24 50	24 50	
Mrs F Hadcock	Ar.		29 00	40 40	40 40
Frank Hadcock	Ar.		3 75	6 65	6 65
C D Terwillegar	GC		32 00	47 50	
Total		594	\$768 00	\$892 30	\$413 30

Quebec

Raymond Libby	Ar., SB	25			
Rose Guertin	Ar., WC, Mag	38	\$16 10	\$16 10	\$39 48
Alma Guertin	"	38	11 40	11 40	
H Vuilleumier	"	38	16 10	16 10	
S Vuilleumier	"	38	11 00	11 00	
Total		177	\$54 60	\$54 60	\$39 48

Maritime

Frank Salway	BR	32	\$21 00	\$35 75	\$41 00
Grand Total		803	\$843 60	\$982 65	\$493 78

Standing on Mission Offerings to June 30, 1916

	Mem.	Due	Recd.	Short	Ahead
Ontario	550	\$2880 00	\$2115 94	\$744 06	
Maritime	266	1383 20	892 74	490 46	
Quebec	150	730 00	476 04	276 96	
Nfld.	62	322 40	276 96		\$34 81
Union	1028	\$8295 60	\$3955 68	\$1511 48	\$34 81

A Busy Time

The past two weeks have been busy ones at the office of the Canadian Pub. Assn. Over 4,000 copies of "Armageddon" were shipped to various parts of this Union, and 942 copies of "Bible Readings" were shipped to the colporteurs. Over a ton of books was hauled to the freight sheds in one dray load Thursday the 27th, and almost every day heavy boxes of books are leaving our office to be distributed among the people. Let us especially remember the colporteurs in our prayers that they may have success in delivering the books for which they have taken orders.

YOU need a copy of "Acts of the Apostles" as a help in your Sabbath school lessons the next few months. It is worth its weight in gold. Send \$1.50 to the Canadian Pub. Assn. for a copy.