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## "He Careth"

What can it mean? Is it aught to Him  
That the nights are long and the days are dim  
Can He be touched by the griefs I bear,  
Which sadden the heart and whiten the hair?  
About His throne are eternal calms,  
And strong, glad music of happy psalms,  
And bliss unruffled by any strife—  
How can He care for my little life?

And yet I want Him to care for me  
While I live in this world where sorrows be!  
When the lights die down from the path I take;  
When strength is feeble, and friends forsake;  
When love and music that once did bless,  
Have left me to silence and loneliness,  
And my life-song changes to sobbing prayers,  
Then my heart cries out for a God who cares.

Oh! wonderful story of deathless love!  
Each child is dear to that Heart above.  
He fights for me when I cannot fight;  
He comforts me in the gloom of night;  
He lifts the burden, for He is strong;  
He stills the sigh, and awakens the song;  
The sorrow that bowed me down He bears,  
And loves and pardons because He cares!

Let all who are sad take heart again,  
We are not alone in our hours of pain;  
Our Father stoops from His throne above  
To soothe and quiet us with His love;  
He leaves us not when the storm is high,  
And we have safety, for He is nigh,  
Can it be trouble which He doth share?  
Oh! rest in peace, for the Lord will care!

—Sel.

## Visit to Quebec

On the invitation of Elder Young I met him and Elder Passebois at Quebec City September 20th to consider some questions pertaining to the work in that city. As most of you know, Elder Passebois was brought to that city to open public work there. A successful tent effort has been conducted during the past summer and several substantial people are

already in the truth and others are deeply interested. It is a matter of astonishment to the people that the tent was allowed to stand in that center of fanatical Popery for even a week. The Lord gave Elder Passebois favor with the officials and the mayor became his personal friend and through his influence the police department prevented harm coming to the laborers or the conference property. He has begun his labors wisely and is pursuing a course that does not awaken serious opposition and at the same time is getting hold of honest souls.

I had the privilege while at Quebec of viewing some of the historic memorials of its early history. Standing by the monument that marks the spot where General Wolfe fell, I reflected on the heroism and determination which won Quebec and Canada for England. It will take pretty much the same devotion and persistency to win conquests in the same place for God and the third angel's message. We are cheered by the progress already made.

Friday, September 22, I met in council with the Quebec conference committee at South Stukely. Considerable attention was given to educational questions and particularly to the matter of establishing a good church school modeled on the denominational plan. The committee expressed itself in favor of holding to the denominational standards in all the schools that should be established in that conference. I remained in South Stukely over the Sabbath and spoke at the church service on "Christian Education." At a business meeting of the church held that evening it was voted to go forward with plans for a church school and Brother H. W. Ingham has been engaged to conduct it. There are prospects for a good attendance of students from South Stukely and other points in the conference. We hope and pray that this school may become a strong and permanent factor in holding Quebec youth and children in the truth and starting them on the road that will lead them into active service for God.

At the Sabbath school session, the superintendent, Brother Libby, had arranged a very impressive map exercise in connection with the departure of our missionaries for other lands. Brother W. H. Knowlton read the name of each missionary and the place to which he is going while his son Max pointed out the places on a large map hung up in front. This exercise seemed to bring the spirit of the Lord very near and we all felt his presence with us. As the consecration of our missionaries and the dangers they face were brought to our attention, I think all were led to decide they would not hold back from an effort to solicit funds through the Harvest Ingathering to help maintain the faithful laborers in the foreign fields.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

## ONTARIO

### Another Successful Quarter at Oshawa

The Oshawa Sabbath school has just closed another very successful quarter. We might say, however, that the report is not as large as the preceding quarter, but this is owing to the members being absent upon vacations, etc., during the summer months.

Early in July we set our aim in donations for the quarter at \$75. We felt confident we would reach it, but sometimes when the attendance was very small, doubt would get in its work. We passed out our 14th Sabbath offering envelopes as soon as we received them from the Conference secretary. We credit our splendid offering last Sabbath to this fact.

We have a plan in operation whereby we meet our school expenses that perhaps other schools can use with profit. It is not a new system, but perhaps not all know of its existence. We have a smaller envelope than our regular offering envelope which is placed inside the larger one. On this we have marked "Birthday and Sabbath school Expense Offerings." The idea is to have each member drop in this envelope upon his birthday a copper for each year of age. Or, if some are inclined to help bear the expenses of the school they can place their offerings in there also. At first the plan is somewhat confusing if not explained properly; but by instructing the school, and especially the teachers we have found it a complete success. We need never ask for a special donation, which is a bugbear to the superintendent and members. By this means we pay for seven *Instructors*, seven *Little Friends* and picture cards and Bibles for the children.

It is with deep regret that I leave the Oshawa Sabbath school, but my duties at the Seminary will not permit my continuing there. My work was all the more enjoyable there because of the willingness

of the members to cooperate in making the Sabbath school interesting.

Average membership .....	33
Average attendance .....	28
Total donation .....	\$76.00
14th Sabbath donation .....	30.16
Average donation a Sabbath .....	6.91
" " a member for the quarter...	2.33
" " " a Sabbath.....	.17
F. A. SPANGLER <i>Supt.</i>	
MYRNA CAMPBELL <i>Sec.</i>	

### Windsor

I am thankful that when the Lord tells his servants to go, all they have to do is to obey and the way will be opened. When the devil shut us out of the Methodist church we had for one month in Walkerville, God opened two other places for us. We are now holding Sunday meetings in both Walkerville and Windsor. We have service in Windsor on Sunday at 2.30 in the S. O. E. Hall, 83 Wyandotte St. East, and in the same hall we hold our Sabbath and Wednesday night meetings. Then we hold one meeting in the Foresters' hall in Walkerville at 7 p. m. Sunday. The attendance thus far has not been large, but we expect it will increase as most of the summer resorts have closed now and the boats stopped running. On Sabbath there were over forty present. The members in Windsor who have been waiting for a worker to come here were made glad to see such a large company out on the Sabbath. A large number of those present were interested ones not of our faith. In the afternoon the same company and others met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conibear about two miles down the river where a company of eight was baptized. Seven of these will be the first fruits of the Windsor church. The other—Sister Clark who has been selling our books will unite with the church at Chatham. She heard the truth some fifteen years ago but never was baptised or united with the church. The services of the day were enjoyed by all. There are a number who are interested and we expect that some of them will accept the truth before very long. After the Sabbath I went to visit a family that I heard was interested, and I found the lady of the house was a Sabbath-keeper belonging to an Adventist church in Ohio. She had been praying that she would meet with one of like faith and was pleased to see me. This is the second family I found in the same condition in the past two weeks.

We are of good courage and will do all we can to find the honest in heart here.

MATT. J. ALLEN.

"Everything comes to those who wait—but not while they wait."

## Ontario Tithes and Offerings for Aug., 1916

Churches	Tithes	Miss	Misc.	Total
*Brantford	\$281 47	\$77 23		\$358 70
Belleville	24 00			24 00
Chatham	12 46	7 31		19 75
Dresden	5 00	9 44		14 44
Exeter	13 85	3 93		17 78
Galt	9 90	2 00	25 00	36 90
Hamilton	161 78	30 84	20 10	212 72
Individuals	38 55		5 00	41 55
Iroquois	8 59			8 59
Kenyengah	11 98			11 98
Lindsay	52 38	9 33	10 00	71 71
London	43 84	17 93	25 00	86 77
Muskoka		2 00		2 00
Napanee	11 55			11 55
Oshawa	52 67	12 98		65 63
Ottawa	68 80	2 80	100 00	171 60
Paris	12 60	4 15	5 00	21 75
Petrolia	24 70			24 70
Peterboro	18 75	2 30	12 63	33 68
E.C.M Seminary	42 95	4 87		47 82
St Thomas	31 10	54 30	15 00	100 40
Toronto Central	78 91	15 34		94 25
„ West	127 11	35 12	10 00	172 23
Windsor	35 09	17 59	25	52 93
Total	\$1166 03	\$309 44	\$227 98	\$1703 45

\*Three months

## QUEBEC

### Montreal

A few years ago, two French Catholic farmers, in the vicinity of valleyfield, began to be disgusted with their church. A French Protestant minister gave them the New Testament, which they read eagerly, spending entire nights in this noble study. They embraced the gospel, and in a discussion with a priest, he told them that Sunday was only a Catholic institution. A Seventh-day Adventist from Vermont, who worked for one of these men, led him afterwards to keep the Sabbath. His brother-in-law followed him. They never fully adopted all the lines of present truth, although some of each family were baptized.

Some time ago, one of these men died and his wife came to Montreal for treatment at Sister Gobeille's. As a result, she and a daughter of hers were baptized in our chapel, August 26, when the Lord's supper was celebrated. Other members of this family are interested in the truth. The mother tells me that it was her late father, Mr. Mercier, who donated the site on which the cathedral of Valleyfield was built, and also a lot for a cemetery. As a token of gratitude, he was allowed a free pew for his life time.

Two earnest young men, Waldenses by birth, have recently begun to keep the Sabbath of the Lord. We thank God for these evidences of his saving power.

JEAN VUILLEUMIER.

## A Word to Young Christians

1. Never neglect daily private prayer; and when you pray remember that God is present, and that He hears your prayer. Heb. 11 : 6

2. Never neglect daily private Bible reading, and when you read, remember that God is speaking to you, and that you are to believe and act upon what He says. I believe all backsliding begins with the neglect of these two rules. John 5 : 39.

3. Never profess to ask God for anything you do not want. Tell Him the truth about yourself, however bad it makes you appear to be; and then ask Him, for Christ's sake, to forgive you what you are and to make you what you ought to be. John 4 : 24.

4. Never let a day pass without trying to do something. Every night reflect on what Jesus has done for you, and then ask yourself, "What have I done today for Him?" Matt. 5 : 18-16.

5. If ever you are in doubt as to a thing being right or wrong, go to your room, and kneel down and ask God's blessing upon it. Col. 3 : 17. If you cannot do this, it is wrong. Rom. 14 : 23.

6. Never take your Christianity from Christians, or argue that because such and such people do so and so, therefore you may. 2 Cor. 10 : 12. You are to ask yourself, How would Christ act in my place? and strive to follow Him. John 10 : 27.

7. Never believe what you feel, if it contradicts God's word. Ask yourself, "Can what I feel be true?" and if both can be true, believe God and make your own heart the liar. Rom. 8 : 1 John 5 : 10, 11

### A Striking Prophecy

The following paragraph appeared in the *Signs of the Times* on April 21, 1909, and so far as we are able to ascertain, has not been published in any of Sister White's books. We are producing the quotation, feeling sure that many will be glad to read it. We are living in solemn times, and we know not how soon this prophecy may be fulfilled.

"The Lord will arise to shake terribly the earth. We will see troubles on all sides. Thousands of ships will be hurled into the depths of the sea. Navies will go down, and human lives will be sacrificed by the millions. Fires will break out unexpectedly, and no human effort will be able to quench them. The palaces of the earth will be swept away in flames. Disasters by rail will become more and more frequent; confusion, collision, and death without a moment's warning will occur on the great lines of travel. The end is near, probation is closing. O let us seek God while he may be found, call upon him while he is near."

"Perfection is made up of trifles, but perfection is no trifle."

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Volunteer Reading Courses:—

1. Because the books in the courses have been  
carefully selected and are supremely good ones.

2. Because there is room for you in the Reading  
Circle, and we want you to be sure to share the pleas-  
ure and benefit of these excellent books together with  
the host of young people that have already enrolled  
and obtained their books.

Because the books contain valuable help for daily  
living.

4. Because the books will stimulate your interest  
in missions.

5. Because they will increase your love of good  
reading, and good reading is a remarkable life im-  
prover.

6. Because these books can all be read in your  
spare minutes.

Because pressing the reading of these books into  
your spare moments will teach a valuable lesson in  
economizing time.

8. Because the Reading Course books will be an  
excellent addition to your personal library. And  
every young person who wants to succeed should  
gather about him good books.

9. Because there are questions sent out with  
these books which will help you to receive and fix in  
your memory the most interesting and important  
points.

10. Because you should learn to love good books  
while young, because it is the books read before the  
middle of life that most influence one's career.

MISS. VOL. DEPT.

## Word From Williamsdale

Exactly one fourth of our students are from  
Newfoundland.

Brother Steeves of the Hopewell Cape church  
has been engaged to superintend the installation of  
the new water system.

We were glad to welcome Sister Kierstead who  
spent several days at the Academy visiting her son  
Walter.

Our music teacher, Miss Vira Milton, has started  
two classes in sight singing. Her list of piano stu-  
dents is growing.

Elder Skinner and Miss Lulu Van Buskirk spent  
a few days with us auditing the books and assisting  
in the work of taking inventory.

Miss Lillian Johnston just finished canvassing in  
Halifax, and entered school on the 15th. She and  
the other girls working with her have all done faith-  
ful work and we hope soon to greet the others, re-  
turning from their summer campaign.

Just before the opening of school, Miss Nellie  
Collison who had been working here during the sum-  
mer, was called home to visit her dying mother on  
the Island of Bermuda. Sister Skinner accompanied  
her to New York City where she took the steamer.  
She arrived too late, but learned from her father that  
her mother's last wish was that she might go on  
and complete her training for God's service. We  
have just received the news that she will return to  
us, and will sail on the "Bermudian" on the 23rd.

C. L. TAYLOR

## A Collection

Sabbath, October 14, a collection is to be taken  
in all of our churches in behalf of the Mrs. E. G.  
White Memorial Hospital to be erected at Los Ange-  
les, Cal. The women of the Seventh-day Adventists  
have undertaken to raise the \$70,000 necessary to  
build and equip this institution and the collection  
October 14 is part of this plan. We believe that our  
Canadian people will esteem it a privilege to have a  
part in erecting this memorial to the faithful servant  
of the Lord who after a life of arduous service as the  
Lord's handmaid now lies silent in the tomb. May a  
liberal spirit prompt us in making a good offering to  
this worthy object.

M. N. CAMPBELL.

SABBATH morning Elder Campbell baptised four  
candidates in the waters of Lake Ontario and in the  
afternoon five were received into the Oshawa church.  
This makes a total of 28 additions to this church  
since the series of meetings held by Elder Campbell  
in March; 19 as a direct result of these meetings and  
9 upon profession of faith or by letter.