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DON'T FRET

When worries and troubles surround you, Don't fret.

Go to work!

You will always have troubles around you,

If you let

Yourself shirk.

The world doesn't care for your woes,

Oh no!

Not a bit!

The man who is wise never shows

His foe

That he's hit.

Every one of your neighbors has griefs of his own; He greatly prefers to let your griefs alone, And he doesn't at all enjoy hearing your groan; So take warning, and quit!

-Selected.

*Scholarships by the Sale of Our Literature

O. J. GRAF

Not long since a brother connected with an institution from which we had secured a valuable worker wrote me how much he regretted losing this person who seemed almost indispensable, but consoled himself by saying: "but our loss is your gain." And so it often is that progress demands that one lose while another gains; but it is not so with the scholarship plan, for here we have not a case of my loss and your gain, or your loss and my gain, but rather a case of my gain is your gain.

It is like Shakespeare's beautiful description Says the poet, "Mercy is twice blessed; it blesses him that gives and him that Inspiration fittingly expresses same thought when the Lord said to Abraham, "I will bless thee-and thou shalt be a blessing." Even so the scholarship plan has proved a blessing to both our schools and the canvassing work. It is a case of one hand washing the *Paper read at Bookmen's Convention

other and both becoming clean by the same

Since it is possible, at any rate conceivable, that there is some one present who does not know what I am talking about, I will take time here to briefly explain the scholarship plan. It is an agreement gone into by our schools and publishing companies whereby our student canvassers can obtain a year's schooling at a discount of from ten to nearly twenty per cent by the sale of our literature. This apparent loss or discount is shared by the school and publishers.

The plan has not become famous because of its profoundness, for when we stop to think about it, we are prompted to ask, "Why not found out before?" It is the results that have attracted attention. And by "their fruits (or the results) ve shall know them."

Now if there is one present who is inclined to be indifferent or of an unbelieving heart with respect to this plan, I want his attention for a few moments. The rest of you may give attention or not, as you choose, but this doubting Thomas who does not see great things in this canvassing and educational movement will, I trust, like the prophet's servant of old, have his eyes opened and "be not faithless, but believing."

Let us, therefore, for a short time consider results of this movement of student canvassers. The results are numerous, as the blessing is not only twofold but at least fourfold and, in fact, many fold, for, not only are the schools and the canvassing work blessed, but the canvasser and those who purchase the literature are, if possible, the recipients of still greater blessings.

I shall take it for granted that this audience agrees with me when I say that a thorough education is a most valuable addition to a young man's or a young woman's preparation for the work; for, if I read aright the signs of the times, the day is rapidly passing away when our workers will discourage our young people from obtaining a thorough preparation for God's work. For, while there are many who have not had the privileges of an education as they wish they had had, they realize the need of it and are urging our young people to get into our schools.

Since, therefore, it is a conceded fact that our young people should secure a thorough Christian education and since, as Brother I.D. Richardson

of the Columbia Union Conference puts it, the scholarship plan secures for our schools "a class of students who have a backbone instead of a wishbone," it follows that this plan is a blessing to our schools.

As to the effect of the scholarship plan on the canvassing work, let the bookmen speak for themselves.

Elder R. E. Palmer, secretary of the General Conference Missionary and Publishing Departments, after submitting figures which show an increase of over 325 per cent in the sale of our literature for the vacation months during the past five years, says that "this midsummer increase is due almost entirely to scholarships."

Brother J. B. Blosser of our own Union Conference says: "The book work has lagged on account of a lack of efficient leaders, the scholarship plan is helping solve this problem." He continues: "In some of our conferences, this plan has been the secret of the book work being revived. East Michigan and North Michigan are prominent examples; Ohio also. In fact, the history of the present revival of the book work is but the history of the unfolding and development of the scholarship plan."

Other bookmen who wrote me agree with these statements with the exception of one brother who, on the whole, thinks the plan is a good thing, but complains that it develops a class of temporary canvassers. In connection with this, I wish to speak of a danger which I have seen growing perhaps indirectly from this scholarship plan. Many of our young people look upon the canvassing work wholly as a means and their education as the end. This certainly is a mistake and at the College we are endeavoring to help our young people see that their education is the means and that God's work, of which the canvassing work is a part, is the end. It would seem to me altogether appropriate for our talented young people who have ability as salesmen, to consecrate their lives to the sale of our literature upon graduating from our colleges.

Neither should other young people who are looking forward to the ministry, educational work, Bible work, or any other line of work, overlook the advantages to be derived from the canvassing work. Here, benefits and blessings await them that cannot be secured in college halls, neither in workshop nor behind the plow. There is to be derived therefrom a development which can be secured in no other way.

To sum up, I would therefore say that the scholarship plan has helped to fill our schools with young people whose hearts God has touched. It has done much to revive our canvassing work. It is preparing our young people

for the hardships of vigorous service, and last but not least, but rather greatest, is giving the last message to a dying world.

Therefore, while there are objections to this plan which is true of every good plan, we should not conclude that, because there are objections, it ought not to be. But we should rather look upon these objections as merely counter currents, or eddies of a great forward movement which will sweep on until "He who shall come, will come," and take to their home of rest, those who have not only loved Him with their whole heart but have also served Him with their whole strength.

Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session of the West Michigan Conference Third Meeting

(Continued)

"The report of periodical business is but for the months of November and December and shows the following periodical sales:

| | Nov. | Dec. |
|----------------------------|------|------|
| Signs of the Times Weekly | 538 | 624 |
| Signs of the Times Monthly | 148 | 1194 |
| Watchman | 12 | 119 |
| Life and Health | 853 | 1799 |
| Liberty | 112 | 21 |
| Review and Herald | 410 | 2581 |
| Youth's Instructor | 954 | 2106 |
| Protestant Magazine | 63 | 60 |
| Sabbath School Worker | 312 | 180 |
| Our Little Friend | 75 | 832 |
| Bible Training School | 20 | |
| Christian Education | | 12 |
| Life Boat | 20 | |

"None need fail to recognize in the home missionary work an opportunity for activity; yet not all are improving the opportunity. That we may give the work of this department due consideration permit me to call our attention to some recommendations made some time in the past, by the General Conference Publishing Department in reference to church tract and missionary work.

. 'That the old time church tract and missionary society be thoroughly reconstructed,—

- '(a) By appointing active leaders and missionary secretaries:
 - '(b) By renewing regular church missionary meetings;
- '(c) By providing distinct items and lines of work for each member of the church, including all the young people and children; and —
- '(d) By establishing a simple, thorough reporting system on blanks provided for that purpose.'
- "In a number of our churches this recommendation is being carried out, so far as they are able and the results are encouraging.
- "With activity at the head 'regular church missionary meetings' will be among the results, and it will soon be found that the use of our tracts, trade books, 40 per cent books, periodicals, and ten cent magazines afford 'work for each member' of the church.
- "At the last session of the General Conference the recommendation was passed as follows:—
- 'That in the varied lines of home missionary . . . work, we recognize a progressive system of education and practical

training, beginning with mailing papers, loaning tracts and books, selling periodicals and 40 per cent books, in the vicinity of the church, and advancing, step by step, to the systematic sale of periodicals in the great cities, and to the sale of regular subscription books; and that all these have as their object the training of workers for all departments of Christian service in the world-wide field.'

"Permit me to connect with the foregoing recommendations the following quotation from 'Testimonies to the Church,' Vol. 9, page 13, and leave turther suggestions to the Committee on Plans.

'The leaders in God's cause, as wise generals, are to lay plans for advance moves all along the line. In their planning they are to give special study to the work that can be done by the laity for their friends and neighbors. The work of Godin this earth can never be finished until the men and women comprising our church-membership rally to the work, and unite their efforts with those of ministers and church officers.'

"The following prices and discounts have been established for agents on our ten cent magazines: New subscriptions, 40 per cent discount; price of five to forty copies of one number, 5 cents per copy; 50 or more, four cents per per copy.

| | Societies | Individuals |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| On subscription Books | 40% | 30% |
| Home worker's books | 40% | 25 % |
| Trade books (lots of 6 or more) | 15% | 15 % |
| Tracts (unbroken packages) | 15% | 15 % |

"That the students may have the benefit of periodical sales in gaining an experience in giving the message and at the same time earn something with which to meet the expense of schooling, etc., periodical scholarships have been recommended, and plans suggested which will, we trust, be accepted by this conference, and result in a number of our youth being employed, during the summer vacation, in the cities of the conference selling our ten cent magazines.

"Beginning January 1, 1910, the publishing houses are allowing the conference office 10 per cent commission on all orders for periodicals sent through their hands, therefore we would urge upon all our members the importance of sending their renewals through the regular channels, and not direct as has been done in some cases in the past.

"After years of experience in the tract and missionary work I feel that I can safely say that not one half of the missionary work performed by the laity is ever reported; and I am convinced that one reason for it is the lack of a proper method of recording the work when performed. To assist the members in keeping a record of the work, individual report blanks have been prepared and furnished each church, on which the missionary worker may record the work each day, and at the end of the month turn the report over to the missionary secretary (librarian) and that officer will then be provided with a full report for the month. A little care on the part of the members will result in a much better report at the end of the year, and will encourage increased activity on the part of all, for 'There is nothing that succeeds like success,' and to know that my neighbor is successful in any undertaking encourages me to think that I may be.

"Trusting that a field missionary secretary may be provided for the coming year who will devote his whole time to the work and that he may have your hearty co-operation and the hand of the Lord may be manifest, I leave the work in your hands."

Recess was taken for ten minutes.

After a song by the congregation, Elder G. B. Thompson presented the telegram drafted by the special committee. With a suggested change the message was approved.

Tract Society

The report of the Tract Society was presented by the secretary, E. L. Richmond, and upon vote was made a part of the minutes. It reads as follows:—

"This department of the conference has had a steady and continuous growth during the past few years. The sales have been as follows:

| 1906 | \$4,071.16 |
|------|------------|
| 1907 | 4,249.04 |
| 1908 | 5,240.92 |
| 1908 | 5,769.31 |

"In October, 1909, it was recommended at the council at College View 'That by virtue of their location and their appointed work, we recognize the conference tract societies as the natural and proper agents and promoters of all our periodicals circulated in their respective territories,' and it was urged that each conference arrange for properly conducting this department. Other recommendations were passed which provide for the assignment of territory for the sale of the ten cent magazines and arrange for a commission on all periodical orders handled by the society.

"This plan was started the first of January and the amount of business for the present year will be effected by the use that is made of this society which was put into operation for the benefit of our local societies and individuals. The prices on all publications are the same as would be paid direct to the publishers, and the conference receives the same commission as upon books. Orders you may send to the publishing houses are not credited to the local conference and the publishing house, instead of the conference, receives the benefit.

"By the new plan the local church society receives special discounts on books and tracts. It will be to the advantage of the church for all members to order books, tracts, periodicals and supplies through the church missionary secretary (formerly librarian).

"The General Conference last May adopted the following: We recommend the following financial policy for the handling of our denominational literature:

'(a) That publishing houses settle accounts between themselves monthly.

'(b) That State tract societies settle monthly for supplies secured from the publishing houses.

'(c) That canvassers for books settle monthly with State tract societies for all goods, including helps, due allowance being made for length of time required in shipping books to distant points.

'(d) That agents for periodicals accompany their orders with cash.

'(e) That church tract societies and companies settle monthly for all supplies.

'(f) That conference laborers either pay cash for supplies, or give order on conference treasury for monthly settlement from wage account.

'(g) That lay members pay cash for supplies.

'(h) That all these recommendations be interpreted with a proper recognition of exceptional conditions."

"From this it will readily be seen that to be effective the plan must be carried out by every one concerned. The conference society cannot follow out this plan unless individuals and churches will start the ball and keep it rolling. We wish to say that nearly all our churches are keeping their accounts well in hand and we trust that the delegates who are here will investigate for themselves and make sure that their bome church is not in arrears. A still more commendable plan is being followed by about one-fourth of our churches, and that is to have a balance to their credit on the conference books.

"We are much encouraged by the amount of business that has been transacted the past year, for this to a large extent represents missionary work.

"We believe, however, that there is still chance for improvement, and we are looking forward to the time when every church will have a live missionary society and do agressive work in behalf of the third angel's message."

Financial Statement of West Michigan Tract Society, December 31, 1909 RESOURCES

| Accounts Receivable | \$ 903.22 |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Cash on hand and in bank | 1325.72 |
| Expense Inventory | 26.21 |
| Merchandise Inventory | 1144.92 |

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|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Total Resources | 3400.07 |
| LIABILI | TIES |
| Accounts Payable | 1088.76 |
| Present Worth | 2311.31 |
| GAI | N |
| Merchandise | \$ 996.30 |
| LOS | S |
| Expense | 209.01 |
| Loss and Gain Account | 16.36 |
| Total Loss | 225.37 |
| Net Gain for 1909 | 770.93 |
| Present Worth Jan. 1, 1909 | 1540.38 |
| Present Worth Dec. 31, 1909 | \$ 2311.31 |
| Missionary Volunt | eer Department |
| O. L. Denslow reported for | _ |

O. L. Denslow reported for the missionary volunteer department as follows:—

"Upon taking up the work of the missionary volunteer secretary I found that in all there were twelve young people's societies in West Michigan having a membership of about three hundred and fifty. Several of these were in a disorganized condition and were sounding the Macedonian call of 'Come over and help us.' Two of the twelve were entirely new societies and had never been organized as Missionary Volunteers. Three others have since been re-organized and as a result are doing much better work. Two new ones have also been added, bringing the total number of societies up to fourteen. One has added a junior society which is doing good work and promises in every way to be a success.

"It would be wise if all our churches, wherever competent leaders can be obtained would organize the children into junior societies and teach them to do missionary work in their childhood. We have this instruction coming from the servant of the Lord: 'Even though pastors, evangelists, and teachers should neglect the seeking of the lost let not the children and youth neglect to be doers of the Word. Let young men and women and children go to work in the name of Jesus. Let them unite together upon some plan of action.'

"The aim of the Missionary Volunteers is 'The advent message to all the world in this generation' and the object of the association is for prayer, Bible study, and missionary work. We do not organize our young people into societies simply to give them a place and time to meet for a social entertainment. If any society has no higher object than this they would better disband and never organize again until they can band together with the object of doing missionary work.

"We need the encouragement of the ministers, church leaders, and parents and until this is obtained we will be unable to accomplish all we wish to see done by the Missionary Volunteers. As a people we have this fact to face, that a large number of those who were children and youth among us ten years ago are now seeking their pleasure and employment in the world. Are we going to allow this condition or are we going to do something to bind them to this message? There must be something wrong with a message that can go into the center of Africa and win the heart of a savage and not be able to hold its own young people or else there must be something wrong with us. I believe the fault is ours. I

know from experience that our church leaders are prone to work for the older ones among us and wholly neglect the children and youth. I plead for a change. Let us work for the young among us and not allow them to be drawn away by the attractions of this world.

"Those who are organized into societies are doing good work. But it is impossible for me to give a tabulated report of all work done during the past year. This is partly due to the fact that the former secretary was given other work to do which divided his attention at the expense of the young people, who are our most valuable assests. The report which follows is of the last quarter of the past year and that from only six societies, since only that number reported.

| Letters written | | 69 |
|---|---|--------|
| Letters received | | 31 |
| Missionary visits | ` | 127 |
| Bible Readings or cottage meetings held | | 9 |
| Subscriptions taken for periodicals | | 5 |
| Papers sold | | 384 |
| Papers mailed, lent, or given away | | 2017 |
| Books sold | | 1 |
| Books lent or given away | | 35 |
| Pages of tracts sold | | 4 |
| Pages of tracts lent or given away | | 13941 |
| Hours of Christian help work | | 161 |
| Articles of clothing given away | | 40 |
| Number of meals provided | | 47 |
| Signers obtained to temperance pledge | | 16 |
| Number of conversions of young people | | 2 |
| Amount of donations | | \$49.5 |
| | | |

"This is far the largest report ever received from the societies of West Michigan and due credit should be given the former secretary as I came into the office at the end of the quarter."

Statistics

Statistics compiled from the laborers' reports were as follows:—

| | Inside | Outside | |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| • | W. Mich. | W. Mich. | Total |
| Sermons preached | 1215 | 651 | 1866 |
| Bible readings held | 1480 | 1325 | 2805 |
| Other meetings held | 1305 | 292 | 1597 |
| Number baptized | 78 | 7 | 85 |
| Number added to church | 80 | 64 | 144 |
| Families visited | 8506 | 8484 | 16990 |
| Subscriptions received | 149 | 175 | 324 |
| Book sales | 137 | 389 | 526 |
| Papers sold and given away | 853 | 1576 | 2429 |
| Missionary letters written | 388 | 27 | 415 |
| Pages books and tracts dist. | 56572 | 15796 | 72368 |
| _ | | | |

J. M. Wilbur gave a short verbal report of the medical department.

Committees

The Committee of Twenty-one reported as follows through H. W. Miller:—

Committee on Plans and Resolutions:—C. A. Russell, C. J. Tolf, C. A. Hansen, Oliver Denslow, S. D. Hartwell, J. M. Wilbur, Ella Carman, Mrs. Lou K. Curtis, Ezra Brackett.

Committee on Nominations:—H. W. Miller, R. C. Horton, Wm Reefman, A. T. Benjamin, W. W. Shepard, James Root, Sam Medler.

Committee on Credentials and Licenses:—J. W. Covert, W. R. Matthews, Henry Nicola, Allen Moon, W. E. Videto. Committee on Revision of Constitution:—J. B. Sperry, A.

G. Daniells, G. B. Thompson, R. A. Hart, A. L. Curtis. It was voted that these committees be accepted.

The meeting adjourned to 9 A. M. the 23d.

A. G. HAUGHEY, Chairman.

E. L. RICHMOND, Secretary.

Wisconsin Raise the \$300,000 for Mission Homes

In the days of Reconstruction of the United States government when the war had ceased, it was seen to be very important to discontinue the issuance of paper currency and resume specie payment. Much discussion was being carried on over the question of "How to Resume Specie Payment." President Johnson said, "The way to resume is to resume."

Now that is about what we should do to raise the \$300,000 to build homes for our missionaries. There are a number of of ways. It is not so important as to how, but the thing is to get it. We will, however, suggest some simple ways that may be helpful.

If you have the money, anywhere from \$4.80 to \$100 or more, send it in; it is needed now. If you are willing to spend from one to three days' time getting it, order from the tract society 100 of the good magazines—the Temperance Instructor, the Signs Monthly, Protestant Magazine, Life and Health, Liberty, or the Watchman, and sell them, sending in the profits. Raise a missionary garden, set a hen. Many more ways to get it might be suggested, but no other way is better than to sell our papers.

1 notice in the report of periodical sales for February, 1910, in the Review and Herald, that the Lake Union stood at the head with over 28,000 sales reported, but that is only a start. Some of our periodical workers find Life and Health, and the Protestant Magazine a good combination to carry. The latter sells well to nearly everybody but Catholics, while Life and Health is the best paper we have to sell to them.

It would require only sixteen and two-thirds months for the 75,000 Sabbath-keepers in the United States, by selling four papers each per month, to raise the entire sum of \$300,000 from the profits of the sales. Who needs to fail when it will require so small an effort with no cost except the time, and, while doing the work, we are placing the truth in the hands of hundreds of thousands of readers each month.

If we should count but 60,000 active Seventh-day Adventists to engage in this work at the same rate, it would require less than twenty-one months to accomplish it. Again let me repeat there are many ways it might be done, but to the writer, the way that seems to be the best is by the sale of the message-filled magazines.

C. McReynolds.

Ministry of Healing

In ordering this book let it be borne in mind that we do not advise our people to order the full quota for three years unless they expect to get out and sell them without delay. When the quota for the present year is ordered, it should be understood that the books will be sold very soon, at least enough of them to pay the publishing house its price, 40 cents each. We must pay that amount within thirty days from date of shipment. Those who have received their books should send in what they have taken in from sales already made, and if this is not enough to pay 40 cents each for what you have received, sell some more at once and get the 40 cents and send it in so that we can keep our accounts up with the publishing house. They call thirty days "cash" and insist that it must be cash in thirty days.

WISCONSIN TRACT SOCIETY, per C. McReynolds, Mabel Cutler.

MILWAUKEE.—The work at Milwaukee continues to make progress. Sabbath morning April 2, our German minister, Elder Stuckrath, baptized two German sisters, also an English sister who was prevented from being baptized the week before. She went forward in this solemn rite against fierce opposition. It almost seems as though the time had come

spoken of by the Spirit of God, when "All fear of their relatives is gone, the truth is more precious than all else."

Another of Mrs. Post's readers kept her first Sabbath, April 2. Others are coming along. Miss Phelps who has entered the Bible work here, is at present working with Mrs. Post, and will soon have more than she can do. We are deeply grateful for this timely help.

The Lord is finishing the work in the large cities. Oh, how earnestly and rapidly we need to work now! Pray that all that is done here may meet the mind of the Lord.

B. L. Post

Superior.—The city of Superior is the second largest city in the State, having a population of about fifty thousand, and is now growing very fast both in size and wickedness. Still God has some houest children even here. Sabbath, March 23, six precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism, three men and their wives. These have ten children, so that altogether this is quite an addition to our Sabbath-school. Sabbath, April 2, they joined our church and were very happy in participating in the ordinances. Others are interested in the truth and for them we are praying and working.

The greatest difficulty we have is to find a suitable place for our meetings. I spent eight years in Northern Europe, but never even there experienced the difficulty I have here, in finding a place to hold our meetings. It is a pity that we do not have a church building in this city. We have been praying for some time that the way might open for us to secure a place of our own, and just now there is a little church for sale for one thousand dollars, or less. But what can we do? We have no money. We are all poor. We are now praying that some one may be impressed to open his pocket-book to help us. The need is very apparent. On several occasions people have been seeking our meeting place without finding us, because we have been obliged to move from one lodge-hall to another.

Money could not be spent to better advantage, it seems to me, than to secure such a place now in this enterprising city. But of course prices are advancing very fast and so every week that goes by seems to make it more difficult.

Northern Wisconsin is a field by itself and it seems that just now is the time to strike telling blows up here. Railroads are coming to Superior from all directions, towns are building up and the country is being settled up very fast. Several hundred families have already bought land and located within thirty miles of Superior this spring. This makes it more imperative for us to have some place in Superior to which we may invite those who will come.

Another agency for good near Superior, is Walderly Industrial School. Several business men are very much interested in the work done by the school and are watching its development. But the school has hardly any buildings and no money to build with. There are willing hands but "they have no strength without bread." We hope that some of the young people in that school will do missionary work in this part of the State while they receive their training in the school. As workers up here we also feel the need of more of the Holy Spirit's presence with us in our work.

J. Hoffman.

Southern Illinois

HISSONG.—Since our last report to the HERALD we have been meeting opposition. The Disciples sent for a debater who spoke four nights against us, attempting to prove that the law of Moses and the ten commandments were the same law, even seeking to prove that Moses wrote the ten commandments on two tables of stone, and that all was abolished at the cross.

He listened to two of my sermons in reply to his no law theory, and when he spoke against us the last time he frankly accepted nine of the commandments he had labored so hard to abolish, and went away nine-tenths converted to the law of God, so I hope we did him some good, as well as the people.

Very soon after, the Methodist pastor in the adjoining neighborhood spoke on the same subject. By special invitation from him, I attended his service last Sunday morning. The Sabbath question always awakens a deep interest and the people came from far and near. He taught that none except the Jews and heathen kept the Seventh-day Sabbath, and that the law of Moses which was the law of God was nailed with Christ to the cross, and so went into oblivion. At the close of his sermon, I announced a reveiw of his position the following Sunday.

All this opposition is stirring up a wide interest in the Sabbath question, and the truth is spreading. Surely the Lord must have some honest children in this community or Satan would not be so busy. We had little opposition until we organized a Sabbath-school and some of the best families in the community accepted the truth. Brethren pray for us and this people, that we may be deliverd from wicked and unrea-

We are planning to erect a house of worship, and the people seem anxious for this. I hope by the help of God to see a neat little memorial for God here and a faithful flock to bear witness to the truth. J. B. LOCKEN.

Springfield.—The evening of April 3 was an interesting time at the home of Elder S. E. Wight. More than sixty friends and members of the First church gathered to enjoy a social time with the family before they left for West Michigan, where they will soon take up work.

Light refreshments were served, after which Brother Tuttle led in remarks relative to the occasion, showing the appreciation of the faithful labor bestowed upon this conference during the two years just closed. Several responded to the thoughts suggested by the remarks of the first speaker. Many obstacles have been surmounted, and all feel that God has blessed the work in this conference.

Elder Wight's closing speech to this company was expressive of the same confidence in this message as his first one was two years ago, speaking of the certainty of final triumph, and urging us all to do our part to prepare for the soon coming kingdom. MARY B. CRAIG.

ELIZABETHTOWN.—This place is situated on the Ohio River, and is the county seat of Hardin County. We began meetings here in the courthouse Feb. 16. The attendance has been fairly good from the first and the best of attention has been given.

The testing truths of the third angel's message have reached the hearts of some of the people. Five have accepted the Sabbath truth, and we are studying the different points with them, which will build them up in the most holy faith. Others are deeply interested in the truth and we hope by the help of God to see them take a firm stand.

E. F. FERRIS.

North Michigan

ALPENA.—The work is still prospering here. Brother Butterfield held his farewell meeting last Sabbath. All are sorry to have them leave us. At the Sabbath meeting there were more present I think than at any previous Sabbath service in our little church.

Six precious souls united with us; three on profession of faith who had previously been baptized, the other three subject to baptism. Several others are keeping the Sabbath who will unite with us soon, we hope. We are thankful for the privilege of bringing the precious Bible truths to some MRS. M. M. FAULKNER. hungry souls.

Wabash Valley Sanitarium

[We have taken the liberty of quoting the following extracts from a personal letter received from Dr. Anna Durrie who has recently connected with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium as lady physician.—Editor.]

"This is a most beautiful place-wild flowers a stone's throw from the door, and that beautiful river view from the windows!

"To-day I began two nurses' classes in children's diseases

and gynecology.
"I'll tell you one thing that does seem nice—like old times in Galesburg-they let the Lord have the first place and depend on prayer. At the table to-day one of the patients remarked to another that since she had come here and been studying her Bible she had about reached the conclusion that the 'Adventists are right.' Certainly a religious atmosphere prevails.''

East Michigan Canvassers' Institute

An institute will be held at the Adelphian Academy, Holly, Mich., commencing Friday, April 22, and continuing till May 2.

This will be an important convention, and all who feel a burden to enter this branch of self-supporting missionary work are urgently requested to be present. In addition to our local help we expect the assistance of H. W. Johnson of North Michigan, also the Field Secretary of the Lake Union Conference.

The principal books which will be studied at the institute are, "Coming King" and "Daniel and Revelation." A special drill will be conducted for magazine workers.

Arrangements have been made for board and room free to those who will enter the work. Come the first day. Come with a definite aim. Come that you may be a blessing to others and you will be blessed.

J. H. McEachern. others and you will be blessed.

Holly, Michigan.

Canvassers' Institutes

Wisconsin, Sparta, "15-25.
E. Michigan, Holly "22-May 2.
N. Michigan, Cedar Lake, April 29-May 9.
Emmanuel Missionary College, May 6-16. Indiana, Beechwood Academy, May 20-30. Wisconsin, Bethel, June 1-10.
S. Illinois, Springfield, Apr. 22-May 2.
W. Michigan, Otsego, date not certain.

J. B. BLOSSER.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

Emmanuel Missionary College

Mrs. Thomas Johnston of Fairland, Indiana visited her son, Lowell, last week.

Mr. James Ferguson of Herrin, Ill., and Miss Faye Billings of Grand Ledge, Mich., are the latest members to join our school family.

A rather new departure was taken by the fruit department in fighting the frost on Wednesday and Thursday nights of last week. About 500 gallons of petroleum which had previously been bought, was put into one-gallon tincans and distributed throughout the orchards. About 11 o'clock these cans were lighted by means of pieces of cloth used for wicks. The temperature of the atmosphere in the orchards was thus raised about seven degrees and as a result the fruit escaped any injury.

Of the old students of 1903 and 1904 we

learn the following:
Eugene Waller is a student in Union College.

Mabel Reavis is doing Bible work in Bay City, Mich.

Laura Foster-Rathbun teaches English in the College.

Stella Ingham-Hall and Olive Templeton are deceased.

Mrs. R. W. McMahan is educational secretary of Indiana.

Gertrude Murphy-Byers, of 1901, lives at Knightstown, Ind.

Maye Doll-Cook, of 1902, lives at Sisseton, So. Dakota.

Lillian Santee is head nurse at the Hindsdale Sanitarium.

Geo. F. Knapp is teaching a churchschool at Tell City, Ind.

Flossie Hall is teaching the churchschool at Coopersville, Mich.

David Chapman is still teaching among the Oneida Indians in Wisconsin.

Janie Sweet is again in the churchschool work, and is working in Lake Ann, Mich.

Mrs. B. E. Crawford has been teaching in the Hammond Business College, Hammond, Ind.

Ellsworth Kern lives at Wolf Lake, Ind., and devotes most of his time to the canvassing work.

Ardenne May has regained her health and is teaching a small church-school at Otter Lake, Mich.

Edith Howe-Fletcher lives in St Joseph, Mich., where her husband is in mercantile business.

Lena Allen-Butcher, of 1902, lives at Port Townsend, Washington, and is in the church-school work.

Dr. Anna Durrie of 1901-2 has recently connected with the Wabash Valley Sanitarium at Layfayefte, Ind.

Branden Mulford and his wife, nee Pearl West, are inself-supporting school

work near Fountain Head, Tennessee.

J. Drury Reavis, with his family, lives at Charlotte, Mich., where he has charge of sanitarium treatment rooms.

Charles Franz and wife (nee Lucile Gregg) are at the Nashville A. & N. Institute preparing for school work in Cuba.

Clarence Boyd is manager of the Oakwood school farm at Huntsville, Ala., and teaches agriculture and mathe-

Elsa Northrup taught drawing in Union College several years but is living on her claim near Missonla, Mont., at

C. F. Alden and his wife, Laura Ashton-Alden, and little son have a selfsupporting school at Goodlettsville, Tennessee.

Irene Carter was obliged to give up the church-school work on account of her health, and is working at the Hygeia Cafe in Battle Creek.

Prof. B. F. Machlan is principal of the Avondale School for Christian Workers, and Mrs. Machlan is with her husband and family in Cooranbong, Australia

Southern Illinois

Miss Mary Craig, of Jacksonville, visited friends in Springfield last week.

Miss Edith Shepard returned to the office Tuesday, the 5th, after an extended trip through the southern part of the conference.

Mr. E. M. Fishell visited Herrin, Carterville, and Cottage Home last week. Elder Bliss writes that the Peoria church is taking steps to raise their portion of the \$300,000 Fund soon.

The date of the canvassers' institute has been changed to April 22 to May 2. The change was made in order to secure the services of Brother Blosser.

Conrad Bruns of Toledo, Illinois, returned from Graysville, Tenn., last week where he has been attending school. He visited friends at DuQuoin on his way home.

Baptismal services were held in the First Springfield church Sabbath, April-2. Four were baptized and united with

Mrs. J. L. Galbraith has gone to Chamberlin, South Dakota, to spend the summer with her people, hoping to regain her health. Brother Galbraith will canvass in Springfield for a few

The First Springfield church has begun to raise their portion of the \$300,000 Fund. The matter was presented by the elder, Brother Smith, and in a few minutes \$87 was pledged.

Wisconsin

Canvassers' Institute April 15-25, at Sparta, Wisconsin.

We are glad to see the German work begin to rise again in Wisconsin.

Brother Mathe of Almond spent Sabbath with the Grand Rapids church.

Elder and Jno. C. McReynolds made a business trip to Madison last Tuesday.

Miss Bertha Phelps of Madison has taken up Bible work in Milwaukee. She will assist Elder and Mrs. B. L. Post in their work there.

Elder T. G. Lewis made two visits to Grand Rapids recently on one of his trips among the churches of his district. Good audiences greeted him. On the last visit the quarterly meeting was

Mr. Frank Halderson, State agent, is visiting some people in Wausau and Oshkosh this week to advise and assist them in getting ready to attend the canvassers' institute beginning in Sparta the 15th.

The Milwaukee German church reports the total amount of money gathered in by them on the Missionary Review campaign, as \$146.30. \$72.08 of this amount was collected by two members, a man and his wife.

Those who have tried it say that "Ministry of Healing" sells well. Some say it is just the book they have been wanting. If you have not tried to sell It do not delay. It is a work to which the Lord has called us. We should expect to have success in selling it.

Elder Stuckrath reports from Milwaukee: "Last Sabbath, April 2, I baptized two and received three into the German church. We also celebrated the Lord's Supper and He blessed us very much. We are sure we shall have more souls to receive into the church next quarter." He is now in Shebovgan where there is a good interest among the German people. Some have begun to obey the truth.

Only a few Sabbath-schools have yet sent in reports of the Special Consecration Service, but those few have been very interesting and cheering. We believe if rightly conducted this special service will result in a precious ingathering of souls, the work for which our Sabbath-schools exist. We will be glad to hear from more of the superintendents. If any of the schools have not yet held the service, it is not too late. Do not lose the blessing God has for your school. In one school a child whose parents are not Sabbath-keepers has accepted the truth. She felt it her duty on Consecration day to take an open stand very soon, in the face of opposition. Let us remember this dear child in our prayers as well as many others of our young Christians who must meet similiar trials.

Under date of March 29, Elder Post wrote that when he reached Fond du Lac after his visit to Grand Rapids and Bethel he found why he had been im-

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To Subscribers

Send all subscriptions to your State tract society.

Elder Moon is attending the General Conference Committee Council in Washington, D. C.

Brother Blosser reports an interesting class at the Perkin's institute. Their names are: Archie Friday, Fred Larsen, Della Starkey, Mary Baurain, K. V. Bjork, E. B. Munn, Wm. Cobbledick, and Mrs. R. J. Bellows.

Wisconsin (Continued)

pressed to go there instead of Moon, as he had planned. He there found a man prominent in business and church circles, an Episcopalian, who had been faithfully keeping the Sabbath for some time, though subjected to petty persecutions. Recently, however, he had been receiving plausible literature of a nature to destroy his faith in the Sabbath, and when Brother Post found him, had just made up his mind to give it up. Elder Post wrote, "O, how thankful he was as he learned the truth and how sure it is! Tears streamed down his face as the prophetic outline was presented to him and how everything showed that Jesus would soon come and reward His faithful children who keep the Sabbath. His courage is again restored and I believe with faithful effort he will come out into all the truth."

The temperance rally held in Arpin, near Bethel, last Sunday night is reported as a fine success. Bethel Academy faculty and students were the originators of and consituted the greater number of contributors to the program, which was carried out with one exception, and was as follows:

Song......Quartette Reading of "Saloon-keeper's

Psalm ''E. F. Trowbridge Prayer ...

 Recitation, "The Fence or the Ambulance".....Emma Pflugradt
Signing the Temperance Pledge

Prof. C. L. Stone Song....

The house was packed with an attentive audience, the program was well rendered and there were several signers to the temperance pledge when presented. We hope to hear of many more such occasions, for besides the good which may thereby be done along temperance lines, they will also show to the world that we are a truly temperance people.

Wisconsin, Notice!

A splendid opportunity is provided our churches just now in making manifest to all where we as a people stand on the temperance question. Let every church and every member of each church be encouraged to sell the latest and best thing ever published on the temperance question, our last Temperance number of the Instructer. Let every church elder read to his flock those two live articles in the Review of March 24, entitled, "A Temperance Rally in Every Church," and "The Temperance Instructor and Its Circulation," and let the churches act accordingly.

Do we discern the signs of the times? The time has come in God's providence when we may set ourselves right before the public. Many are led to think we are opposed to the temperance movement because of our opposition to Sunday laws. The Spirit of God has told us to do everything in our power to correct these false impressions. Let each company of believers order a large number of this temperance issue. They can be sold. People everywhere are interested in this subject and our young people can do a good work here. Besides obtaining an experience in working for the Master that is essential to spiritual life, they can earn scholarships in some of our schools in this way, get money to attend camp-meetings, etc., and thus accomplish twofold or threefold good. DO IT NOW.

B. L. Post.

Something New

There has just reached my desk a splendid new book entitled "Temperance Torchlights" by Matilda Erickson. This book is nicely bound and well prepared throughout. It is brim full of everything that is interesting, up-to-date, and of special demand in connection with the temperance work. It is not made up of lengthy, prosy chapters

but from cover to cover it is filled with tables, statistics, illustrations, and interesting items. Every temperance worker should have this book, and we feel that it should be in the hands of those who should become interested in a reform work in this line. The book deserves a large circulation among our people, and I would recommend that every family have it in their library. The book is furnished to our people at fifty cents a copy. It can be secured through our local tract societies.

E. K. SLADE.

Magazine Institute April 28 to May 3

Those who are planning to enter this important branch of the Lord's work should attend the institute to be held in connection with, and during the last five days of the canvassers' institute which will be held at Adelphian Academy, Holly, Mich., April 22 to May 3.

Board and room during institute will be furnished free to those who enter and faithfully carry on this work in East Michigan. FRANK HINER,

Missionary Secretary.

Wanted.—A good, consecrated Seventh-day Adventist man to work on a dairy farm. Will pay \$28 per month for eight months. He must be a hustler. Can begin work at once. Address George A. Stiles, Dousman, Wis.

STRAWBERRY PLANTS.— Senator Dunlap, 40c per 100; \$3 per 1000. Parson's Beauty, 50c per 100; \$3.75 per 1000. Glen Mary, 50c per 100; \$4 per 1000. Postage, 25c per 100; 50 at 100 rate, 500 at 1000 rate. Rush your order. Catologue free. Lake View Nursery, George Jorgensen & Son, Box 21, Poy Sippi, Wis.

For Sale.—Ten grape vines—strong two year roots—sent post paid for the names of five fruit growers and one dollar. Your choice of varieties: Concord, Worden, Niagara, and Delaware. Our descriptive catalogue is free. Write for it. Fountain Valley Nursery, Box 46, Poy Sippi, Wis.

Notice.—Have just completed a High Pressure Steam Canner that cans everything so it keeps, without preservatives. Requires about one fourth the time for cooking required by Hot Water Canners or on a stove. The smallest size can be used on a stove, will cook a meal in a few minutes. This surpasses anything on the market and supplies a long-look-for article. Every family should have one. Price within reach of all. Plant large gardens for canning. Send for circular. Jethro Kloss. St. Peter, Minn.