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BURDEN-BEARERS

In the gay, shifting markets of the East,
Gaunt and grotesque, the patient camels stand,
Calm amid busy tumult, ugly, grand,
With rough-ridged form, and meek, uplifted face,
Ready to bear afar, in conscious strength,
That which is laid upon them. Day by day
To fast, and thirst, and labor, till at length,
The desert crossed, and won the resting place,
A master's hand shall lift the load away.
O still, strong human natures, whom we meet
Day after day, in adverse circumstance
Serene and faithful! Have ye learned, perchance
From these dumb heroes of the Eastern mart,
The untold secret, wonderful as sweet,
Of all that grandly simple strength of heart?
In meekness lieth might. Such souls are these
Accept their burdens upon bended knees.

—Selected.

The East and the West

MRS. E. G. WHITE

During the early days of the advent movement, prior to the passing of the time in 1844, the first and the second angel's messages were proclaimed with power throughout the Eastern States. Many cities were deeply stirred. Men in positions of responsibility,—ministers, educators, and those connected with the courts,—came out to hear, and listened attentively to the truths presented. Many who came to scoff returned home to pray. At times, appointments were made for meetings to be held in churches and halls in various parts of a city, in order that as many as possible might hear. A knowledge of these appointments extended to the communities round about, and in some instances many came long distances to attend the meetings. Wonderful reformations were wrought, and the glory of God was revealed.

After the disappointment, when light was given on the sanctuary question, the Sabbath truth, and the three angel's messages of Revelation 14, the cities of the East were given the light of present truth. The third angel's message was carried from city to city, and from town to town. Light shone on the pathway of the scattered believers concerning the near advent of their Lord, and some received the message gladly. Others turned from the light, and lost their hold on God and on His truth.

Portland, Maine, is one of the places where the third angel's message was faithfully proclaimed after the passing of the time. My first experiences as a public worker in the cause of God were gained in connection with these early efforts to warn the people in the East. Thorough work was done, but the people were slow to accept the straight truths presented.

As the cause developed, the laborers pushed westward, and met with increasing success. Many openings for public work were found in the Central States, and many of those who had been laboring in the East, were transferred to these more promising fields. Appeals were made to the brethren and sisters in the East to support this work in the Western mission fields, and thus extend the message into Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, and neighboring States.

In a vision published in 1856, I was shown some things in regard to the meaning of the success of the messengers in the Western fields, as pointed out in the following quotation:—

"I saw that special efforts should be made in the West with tents; for the angels of God are preparing minds there to receive the truth. This is why God has moved on some in the East to move to the West. Their gifts can accomplish more in the West than in the East. The burden of the work is in the West, and it is of the greatest importance that the servants of God should move in His opening providence.

"I saw that when the message shall increase greatly in power, then the providence of God will open and prepare the way in the East for much more to be accomplished than can be done at the present time. God will then send some of His servants in power to visit places where little or nothing can be done; and some who are now indifferent, will be aroused, and will take hold of the truth."—*Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 1, pages 148, 149.

During the General Conference at Washington, D. C., in the spring of 1909, the Lord lifted me above my infirmities, and enabled me to bear a decided message in behalf of the unwarned cities of our land, and particularly the cities where the advent message was first proclaimed. For many years the Lord has been sending messages to His people to enter the great cities, and labor for the salvation of precious souls. A little has been done, but nothing in comparison with the work that must be done in order to meet the mind of the Master of the vineyard.

Following the General Conference meeting, it was my privilege to visit some of the scenes of our early labors. En route to New England, we stopped a few days at Philadelphia and in New York. There we saw multitudes of people, unwarned. Then we went on to places farther east, including Boston, Mass., and Portland Maine.

At Portland we attended the annual camp-meeting of our brethren and sisters in Maine. There was a good attendance of those not of our faith. Extra seats had to be provided for those who came. The power of God rested upon the speakers, and hearts were touched. The Lord blessed me as I stood before the people to proclaim the same message of mercy that I had proclaimed to the people of Portland half a century ago, and at various public gatherings through the years that followed. The Lord gave me ready utterance. At the close of the discourse, I asked

all who would pledge themselves to carry on a personal study of the Scriptures, in order to find out whether or not the truths presented were in accordance with the Word, to rise to their feet. Nearly every one in that large congregation arose. The Spirit of God was present in a marked manner.

When I think of the opportunity we now have to work Portland, Maine, and many other cities in the East, I cannot hold my peace. The believers in that part of the field are comparatively few in number, and have but little means with which to carry on aggressive work. Unless they receive help from some of their sister conferences farther west, the work is liable to be seriously retarded.

God is now placing upon the more prosperous parts of His vineyard the responsibility of doing a faithful work in the cities of the East, where the third angel's message had its rise. Churches are to be raised up in many places; meeting-houses are to be erected; and in some places of special importance, there will be opportunities to establish and maintain small medical institutions. The providence of God is going before the messengers, preparing the way, and it now devolves upon those in responsibility in the more prosperous conferences to plan with largeness of heart, not only to warn the cities within their own borders, but also to extend a helping hand to their sister conferences in the East, where so many millions dwell in the cities, and where the laborers are few and the resources limited.

This burden rests also upon large churches in connection with our institutions. In such places as Mountain View, Cal., where many believers are brought together, a special study should be made of the advantages to be gained by manifesting liberality toward the support of the cause of God in the East. The blessing of the Lord will be bestowed richly on those who rally to the support of enterprises demanding help in places in the East where, in the early days of the message, the believers sacrificed for the extension of present truth into the West.

As God's people take steps to advance His work rapidly in the East, the blessing of Heaven will rest on their efforts, and they will see memorials for God established, as centers of influence, in many places now unworked. The cause of God will be strengthened in all its departments, and a mighty impetus will be given to the movement now in progress to warn the world.

The Power of Influence

C. MCREYNOLDS

That influence is a power, almost every mature person knows by numerous experiences. We have come into contact with certain people whose lives are surrounded by an atmosphere so mild, gentle and pure that even the countenance is an expression of overflowing kindness. Again we have met those whose very presence was a chill and caused us to feel disagreeable and uncomfortable. In neither case was this atmosphere put on for the occasion. It cannot be put on. It is on—a part of the life, the influence emanating from the character.

I quote from "Christ's Object Lessons," "Every soul is surrounded by an atmosphere of its own—an atmosphere, it may be, charged with the life-giving power of faith, courage and hope, and sweetened with the fragrance of love. Or it may be heavy and chill with the gloom of discontent and selfishness, or poisonous with the deadly taint of cherished sin."

What we are determines the character of the atmosphere that surrounds our lives. It is not what we may, for a passing moment desire to be when we have come in contact with a beautiful, pure life. What we are is not determined in a day. "We all with open face beholding, as in

a glass, the character of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2 Cor. 3:18, R. V.

We behold in Him one beautiful virtue; we desire to be like Him in that characteristic of His life; we long for it, we ask for it of Him who is creating us anew in Christ. While we are thus beholding and desiring, the Spirit is creating, molding us. We look again and again, and we see more and yet more to long for, and step by step, as we can desire and grasp it, that life is formed within us.

"By the atmosphere surrounding us, every person with whom we come in contact is consciously or unconsciously affected." This is an unchangeable condition, an unavoidable result. What we are in actions, words, dress, and in the expression of the face, exerts an influence.

"Throw a pebble into the lake, a wave is formed, and another and another; and as they increase the circle widens, until it reaches the very shore. So it is with the influence of a word, an act, or even a look. An impression is made. Beyond our knowledge or control, it tells upon others in blessing or cursing."

Jesus has called us to co-operate with Him in the work of saving souls. The only way in which we can co-operate with Him in that precious work is by revealing in our lives His character, and we may so reveal Him in the life as to draw people to Him, not to ourselves.

Paul says that we are to one the savour of life unto life, to another the savour of death unto death, and then as if overwhelmed by the thought of the power and result of influence, he cries out, "And who is sufficient for these things?" "Many who profess to gather with Christ are scattering from Him." Many indulge freely in criticism and accusing. Thus their influence is leading to death, and because of that very thing the church is weak and fails to accomplish the salvation of even the children of the families that belong to it. They fail to realize that the sad wrecks of character in these families are the work of their own unbridled tongues and rebellious hearts.

"Frivolity, selfish indulgence and careless indifference on the part of professed Christians, are turning away many souls from the path of life.

"It is only through the grace of God that we can make a right use of this endowment, influence. There is nothing in us of ourselves by which we can influence others for good. If we realize our helplessness and our need of divine power, we shall not trust to ourselves. We know not what results a day, an hour, or a moment may determine. Never should we begin the day without committing our ways to our Heavenly Father. His angels are appointed to watch over us, and if we put ourselves under their guardianship, then in every time of danger they will be at our right hand. When unconsciously we are in danger of exerting a wrong influence, angels will be by our side prompting us to a better course, choosing our words for us and influencing our actions." "Christ's Object Lessons." Precious, assuring promises! Yes, "He is able to save to the uttermost," and this includes the uplifting of influence.

Among the American Highlanders

Since leaving Wisconsin about a year ago, we have been at work in North Carolina. For nine months we were in the city of Asheville, though for a large part of that time I was canvassing out through the mountains. This experience was a most valuable one, giving me an intimate knowledge of the people, their customs, and their habits of thought.

In Asheville a church-school was begun, which Miss Alta Reavis came down from Wisconsin to teach. The school has been a great factor this year in the building up of the work in Asheville.

The first of this year, Prof. Sidney Brownsberger and family joined us in the plans for our proposed school work; and Sister J. E. Rumbough, of Asheville, has most materially assisted in money and interest. After much search, we found a place fifteen miles from Asheville, which we are sure has been provided for us of God; and April 1 we took possession. It is a farm of 416 acres, with a good nine-room house, several barns and outbuildings. We are very grateful to God for this place, and for an equipment which, though slender as yet, enables us to make a beginning. Though but a mile from the station of Naples, through which we have a service of six trains a day each way, the farm lies in quite a secluded position, at the head of a little valley. There are about eighty acres of creek-bottom land, the rest being hill and mountain. We have a large tract of valuable timber, the best, we are told, which remains in the country; and we hope to be able to put in a saw-mill this winter. The cultivated land has been much run down, having for over a century been cropped and neglected. Parts of it are badly washed and gullied. Yet it is naturally strong land, and will respond to the process of renovation. Through such restoration of land, as well as by other means, will God speak His truth. Most of our crops are making an excellent showing.

We are in a good position to meet all classes. Just behind us rise the mountains that stretch toward Hickorynut Gap, a wild, sparsely settled, and isolated tract widely known as "The Dark Corner" of Henderson County. Here we find the most needy class of the mountaineer, living in small, windowless log cabins, and subsisting most meagerly and wretchedly. On the other hand, right around us we have a substantial farmer class, in the main more progressive and prosperous; and not far away we reach a higher class. Besides these, the country is filled, during the summer, with tourists and health seekers from every part of the United States.

We are attending two Sunday-schools, and this is giving us openings among the people. One, attended by Professor Brownsberger, Brother Hall, and others, is in the valley a mile and a half from us, and there we meet many of the second and third classes mentioned. Another, the Locust Grove Sunday-school, is hidden away up in the mountains, to be reached by trail or a very round-about road. The people there have been giving us a very cordial welcome. Each day, after Sunday-school, they have asked us to speak to them. Yesterday I talked with them, very simply, on religious liberty, taking my start from their Sunday-school lesson, showing them that Christ, who would not in Galilee be made an earthly king, would to-day be made a king only in our hearts, until His glorious appearing. I told them (they being Baptists) the story of Roger Williams, which was altogether new to them, and they testified by their vigorous nods and exclamations that these true principles were being received.

They are asking for books to read, both for the young people and the older ones. Next Sunday I have quite a load to carry up among them,—three "Christ's Object Lessons." We can begin a great and good work in this, if we can get suitable books to make a circulating library. If any are interested in helping to supply this need, I shall be glad to hear from them. They are almost wholly without books, even Bibles. The Sunday-school superintendent owns only a New Testament. Yet many of them are eager to read. Not only is there interest in these place we are visiting regularly, but those in other sections are calling us to come to them. As our numbers increase, we shall be able to reach out farther; but we desire to lay solid foundations. They need instruction in everything.

God is opening great opportunities before us here, and we are sure that from this mountain country there will be many to respond to the call for the kingdom.

Naples, N. C.

A. W. SPAULDING.

To Our Young People

DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE LAKE UNION CONFERENCE:—

Your camp-meeting has already come and gone. Many of you look back to some good meeting which marked the hour when you stepped on to higher ground, and I pray that, as that memorable meeting drifts back weeks and months into the past, you may be ever learning more and more fully the Christian's secret of a happy, useful life.

Many of you have doubtless been led, as was Jesus, from the Jordan of rich blessings into the wilderness of sore temptation; but I trust the record each day has been "One more day's work for Jesus." Such it should be. You placed your feet on higher ground at the camp-meeting, not to *stand there*, not to *slip back*, but to continue to *climb* to greater heights; for "higher than the highest human thought can reach is God's ideal for His children," and that, dear reader, means you. The only way we can keep from slipping back is by going forward; the only way we can keep past victories is to use them for winning new battles to-day.

But whatever your experience has been, be of good courage. Has Satan defeated you on one of your weak points? Well, remember Micah 7:8. Arise again. Thank God that He has showed you your weakness, and then claim the promise that our weakest points may become our strongest. Guard the weak point. Make it a subject prayer. Entrust yourself to the Saviour each day. Do this in the morning when you have your personal prayer and Bible study.

Then through the day do not invite the tempter by letting your mind ramble into evil thoughts, or your hands by lying idle. Remember that no hand but your own can open the door to the tempter, and "surely," as Ruskin says "No one can ask honestly or hopefully to be delivered from temptation unless he himself has honestly and firmly determined to do the best he can to keep out of it." But when the enemy does approach, let Jesus meet him "for the battle is not yours, but God's." Our hearts are but the battlefield, and there is no question about the victory if we will just give the Lord full liberty. Some of our pet plans may be slain in the struggle, but we can meet our disappointments gratefully, for God never asks us to give up anything that it is for our best good to retain.

To do wrong in big matters is not usually a temptation, but it is the little sins, the wrong that perhaps no one would ever know, over which we stumble. Then Satan has a knack of putting the so-called little temptations right in with our enjoyments, our affections, and our desires. This makes it hard, but we must not let him trip us. Recall 1 Cor. 10:13, and remember also that as Philip Brooks says, "It is while we are resisting little temptations that we are growing strong."

After all, temptations are not such bad things. They never can hurt us if we do not yield. In fact every temptation we meet and overcome makes it easier to meet the next one, and makes our lives helpful to others. Be assured that every temptation which prowls along your path of duty is muzzled. Then be of good courage and go bravely forward. Keep in the path, daily renewing your consecration to God's service. And do not forget that:—

"Wher'er the path may lead
God gives to thee no helpless broken reed;
But His own hand sufficient for thy need.
So where He leads thee thou canst safely go;
And in the best hereafter thou shalt know
Why in His wisdom He hath led thee so."

MATILDA ERICKSON.

"An unkind word or an unloving act may cause many bitter regrets, but whoever heard of the opposite having such an effect?"

A Little Every Day

A few of us students had obtained permission to take our meals every day with a private family in the town. We waited for every meal from five to ten minutes,—a fragment of time which we usually expended in chatting, joking, and skylarking. A large scientific work, in royal octavo, lay on the table—probably the only book treasure of the house. Several of us expressed a desire to read it, but regretted a lack of time and opportunity. One of our number, however,—a silent studious fellow—quietly took up the volume, nibbled at the title-page, glanced over the table of contents, and attacked the preface. In a moment more he was called to the table, and after eating, was out with the rest of us. At the next meal he resumed his reading where he left off; and so on, from time to time, until the continuity and steady purpose of his occupation attracted attention, and exposed him to many a volley of chaffing from his companions. He only smiled, and went on with his reading, while we went on with our usual chit-chat, until at last we forgot to notice him at all. The winter passed away; the spring approached; and the last dinner-bell of the term had just left its final clatter in the air, when the young tortoise plodder in the big octavo, closed its covers together with an emphatic slap, and announcement of "the end." All the rest of us had wished to master the book, but hadn't had the time; he, by reading a little three times a day, had transferred the entire contents to his head.—*Christian Union.*

A Smile

Nothing on earth can smile but man! Gems may flash reflected light, but what is a diamond-flash compared to an eye-flash and a mirth-flash? Flowers can not smile; this is a charm that even they can not claim. It is the prerogative of man; it is the color which love wears, and cheerfulness, and joy—these three. It is a light in the windows of the face, by which the heart signifies it is at home and waiting. A face that can not smile is like a bud that can not blossom, and dries up on the stalk. Laughter is day, sobriety is night, and a smile is the twilight that hovers gently between both—more bewitching than either.—*Henry Ward Beecher.*

Let us not fail to observe, in reference to all the trials of life, that deliverance comes in most unexpected ways, in seasons when we are gloomily anticipating still heavier calamities. It was when the disciples seemed ready to sink that Christ said to the angry waves, "Peace, be still." It was in the wilderness, not in the fertile, well-watered plains, that water gushed from the hidden rock. It was not in the hallowed calmness of the evening landscape that Jehovah's voice was heard, but amid the thunderings which roared and the lightnings which flashed from Sinai's rugged crags. It is in the hour of adversity that God most clearly reveals Himself to men.—*Van Dyke.*

Never complain of your birth, your training, your employment, your hardships; never fancy that you could be something, if you only had a different lot assigned you. God understands His own plan, and He understands what you want a great deal better than you do. The very things that you most deprecate as fatal limitations or obstructions, are probably what you most want. Choke that envy which gnaws your heart, because you are not in the same lot with others; bring down your soul, or rather, bring it up to receive God's will, and do His work in your lot, in your sphere, and then you shall find that your condition is never opposed to your good, but really consistent with it.—*Dr. Bushnell.*

FROM THE FIELD

Camp-Meetings

Southern Illinois, Shelbyville,.....Sept. 8-18.
Northern Illinois, Princeton,.....Sept. 15-25.

West Michigan Conference

The sessions of the West Michigan Conference were held in connection with the camp-meeting in Battle Creek, Michigan, August 18-28.

At the first meeting 96 delegates and alternates, representing 32 churches were present.

A central committee of ten was selected to act with the conference committee in nominating the standing committees for the session. The business meetings were well attended and were very harmonious. The previous officers were nearly all re-elected, there being only a few changes in the auditing committee.

The committee on plans brought forward some important recommendations, which were as follows:—

1. *Whereas*, Urgent calls are coming from all parts of the world for experienced canvassers, and

Whereas, Canvassing is effectual missionary work, and gives opportunity to obtain an education by earning scholarships, therefore,—

WE RECOMMEND, That this work be given special attention.

2. WE RECOMMEND, That earnest efforts be made to interest our young people in the preparation for giving our message to the world, and we recognize the distribution of our literature as a valuable means to this end.

3. We would call attention to the resolution passed at our last conference concerning the \$300,000 Fund, and

WE RECOMMEND its consideration at this conference.

4. WE RECOMMEND, That the Relief Campaign for our sanitariums as suggested by the General Conference through sale of "Ministry of Healing" receive the hearty support of our people, and that we co-operate with the Union Conference plans in performing the same.

5. We endorse the recommendation of the Lake Union Conference relative to the two per cent fund.

6. WE RECOMMEND, That our churches make a thorough investigation before accepting, upon profession of faith, individuals who have previously been members in other places.

7. *Whereas*, Our Sabbath-schools need the blessed inspiration of a real burden for mission fields, while opportunities to spread the message in foreign lands are multiplying faster than the means; and,—

Whereas, A large number of schools in the West Michigan Conference have responded to the action of the late General Conference by giving all their Sabbath-school donations to missions,—

WE RECOMMEND, That this policy be adopted in all our schools, and that no school permit its record to lower the standard by the use of any of the regular donations for anything but mission work, thus gaining for us a place with our sister conferences upon the Sabbath-school Department "Honor Roll."

8. *Whereas*, Many Sabbath-school officers and teachers have had very meager advantages for training in their work, therefore,—

WE RECOMMEND, Our officers and teachers to take advantage of the training now offered in the Sabbath-school Teachers' Reading Course, by securing the pamphlets now used in this course, and carefully following the studies as outlined in the *Sabbath School Worker*.

9. *Whereas*, The *Sabbath School Worker* is not only a molding factor in our Sabbath-schools and the medium whereby Sabbath-school laborers are kept in touch with the

progressive methods, but also gives invaluable help to the teachers of pupils of all ages, through the excellent helps provided on current lessons, therefore,—

WE RECOMMEND, That the officers and teachers of every Sabbath-school, and also the Home Department members take this journal, and make practical use of it in their work.

10. *Whereas*, The Lord has given us very definite instruction regarding the education of our children, and the part they will have in this closing message, therefore,—

WE RECOMMEND, That a church-school be maintained wherever there is a sufficient number of children to make such a school possible.

WE FURTHER RECOMMEND, That our young people be encouraged to enter our advanced schools and prepare themselves to fill some of the calls that are constantly coming for workers in the various lines.

11. *Whereas*, Many of our teachers are seeking to better their education, and others have heavy financial responsibilities upon them,—

WE RECOMMEND, That our church-schools pay their teachers at least \$20 per month in addition to their board,

12. *Whereas*, It is agreed by our educators of experience that it is impossible properly to carry out the General Conference course of study for church-schools in fewer than nine months, therefore,—

WE RECOMMEND, That school boards provide for terms of that length.

13. *Whereas*, Our work is greatly hampered by the lack of a sufficient number of qualified teachers, therefore,—

RESOLVED, That we urge teachers to seek the best possible qualifications, both spiritual and intellectual, that the school work may be conducted according to the mind of God. We also request parents to co-operate in this matter.

14. That we endorse the action of the conference committees of the North Michigan and West Michigan Conferences with reference to the Cedar Lake Academy.

15. *Whereas*, Some repairs are needed on the buildings at Cedar Lake before the school year begins, therefore,—

RESOLVED, That we raise \$170, our estimated proportion of the cost of said repairs, and raise it now.

16. We emphasize the necessity of better knowledge of rational treatments and health principles and pledge ourselves to become more thoroughly conversant with our health literature and ask that systematic attention be given to this branch of work.

17. That the church at Ceresco be disbanded, any remaining members to join elsewhere.

18. That the church at Convis be disbanded, any remaining members to join elsewhere.

19. That because of irregularities in the teachings in the Urbandale church, WE RECOMMEND the conference committee to put forth earnest efforts in behalf of the church, with power to disband it if necessary.

At one of the meetings where the subject of religious liberty was under discussion the following recommendations were passed by the entire congregation, and later a vote was taken to make them a part of the minutes:—

Whereas, There is a growing and widespread demand throughout the country for religious legislation, that threatens our civil and religious rights, and means the formation of the image to the beast; therefore,—

RESOLVED, That we organize a strong and aggressive campaign in all our churches for the dissemination of the principles of religious liberty,

1. By the circulation of the *Liberty* magazine.
2. By generous use of the Religious Liberty Leaflets.
3. By placing a copy of the forthcoming revised edition of "American State Papers" in the hands of State legislators and other State officials.

4. By utilizing the public press in presenting the principles of religious liberty.

5. By conducting religious liberty institutes when and wherever practicable, for the purpose of educating our own people concerning these principles.

6. By public lectures.

Considerable attention was given to the financial situation, and the following recommendation was passed at a meeting of the West Michigan Conference Association:—

WE RECOMMEND, That the trustees take such steps as may be necessary to relieve the financial situation in which we have become involved.

One or two minor changes were made in the constitution and by-laws.

There were present at various times during the meeting Elders A. G. Daniells, K. C. Russell, J. G. Lamson, E. K. Slade, Allen Moon, Dr. John, and brethren J. B. Blosser and J. W. Mace.

The sermons of Elders Daniells, Russell, and Lamson were very much appreciated by the campers.

Every tent was in use, and several more would have been occupied had they been available. A great many people found it necessary to secure rooms near the grounds.

Two days were somewhat stormy, and the large pavilion went down in a wind storm one morning. By strenuous efforts it was repaired and pitched again in time for the evening service. Later in the meeting the high winds were very destructive to this pavilion, which has been in use for twenty-three or twenty-four years, and it was so badly damaged that it can never be used again. It will be necessary to have a new one, together with a number of new family tents, before the camp-meeting next season. A goodly contribution and a large number of pledges were received toward the new equipment, and there is still opportunity for those who were not present at the meeting to have a part in this work.

We believe that everyone in attendance returned home with renewed courage and a purpose to press forward in the work and help us to push it to a rapid completion.

E. L. RICHMOND, *Secretary*.

East Michigan

An Appeal for Workers

"O that the people might know the time of their visitation! There are many who have not heard the testing truth for this time. There are many with whom the Spirit of God is striving. . . . The mercy of God is shown in His long forbearance. He is holding back His judgments, waiting for the message of warning to be sounded to all. O if our people would feel as they should the responsibility resting upon them to give the last message of mercy to the world, what a wonderful work would be done!"—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. 9, page 105.

"The coming of Christ is near, and hasteth greatly. The time in which to labor is short and men and women are perishing. Said the angel: Should not the men who have had great light co-operate with Him who sent His son to the world to give light and salvation to men?"—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. 9, page 105.

"A messenger from heaven stood in our midst, and He spoke words of instruction and warning. He made us clearly understand that the gospel of the kingdom is the message for which the world is perishing, and that this message, as contained in our publications already in print, and those yet to be issued, should be circulated among the people who are nigh and afar off."—"*Testimonies for the Church*," Vol. 9, page 67.

The above appeals have recently come from the Lord's servant and should surely arouse us to earnest activity.

There is a great dearth of laborers in the Lord's vineyard. The many townships and counties in East Michigan which have not been worked with our books for a number of years, call for consecrated canvassers to take up this line of work.

The Lord has demonstrated that our books can be sold successfully in the field. Those who have engaged in this work have been blessed far above their expectations, both spiritually and financially, and have seen fruit for their labors.

Brethren, who of you will help to close up the work and hasten the Lord's coming? We plan to conduct a canvassers' institute this fall for the training of new recruits. It is our desire to hold it at a date when our farmer brethren also can avail themselves of this ten days' special training. Several are planning to devote all their spare time to the sale of our books, and a good work will be accomplished.

Kindly write me to-day, stating the time most favorable for you to attend. We can thus fix upon a date and place the most convenient and accessible to all.

J. H. McEACHERN.

Orion, Mich.

East Michigan Tithe Report for August, 1910

Alaiedon.....\$	Greendale.....	7 31	Otter Lake.....	
Alma.....	Greenbush.....	29 68	OtterLakeSan.....	
Adrian.....	Hanover.....		Pontiac.....	
Ann Arbor.....	Hillsdale.....	10 00	Prattville.....	
Arbela.....	Hazelton.....	37 76	Port Huron.....	14 36
Bancroft.....	Holly.....	14 87	Reese.....	
Belleville.....	Ithaca.....	21 01	Rives.....	12 28
Bunker Hill.....	Jackson.....	132 27	Rapson.....	9 30
Bay City.....	Jefferson.....	12 85	Saginaw.....	34 44
Birmingham.....	Luce.....		St. Charles.....	57 42
Chapin.....	Lapeer.....		Sandusky.....	4 95
Chesaning.....	Leslie.....	12 78	St. Johns.....	
Coleman.....	Lansing.....	51 68	Spring Arbor.....	
Detroit.....	Mason.....	21 00	St. Louis.....	
Durand.....	Morrice.....		Summer.....	21 28
Dryden.....	Memphis.....		Vassar.....	34 69
Edenville.....	Marine City.....		Watrousville.....	
Exeter.....	Mt. Forest.....	2 04	Westphalia.....	27 00
Ford.....	North Branch.....	24 25	Willis.....	20 54
Flint.....	Ola.....	38 23	White Lake.....	
Freeland.....	Ovid.....	8 73	Individuals.....	57 31
Flushing.....	Owosso.....	27 75	Total.....	\$1,556 30

Fund Receipts for August, 1910

Sabbath-school.....	209 30	\$150,000 Fund.....	\$ 1 14
Mid-Summer.....	\$181 58	\$300,000 Fund.....	\$133 13
Weekly Offerings.....	13 68	Harvest Ingathering.....	5 52
Two Per Cent.....	34 31	Southern Field.....	23 87
Foreign Missions.....	71 57	Swedish School.....	217 70
		Total.....	\$ 891 80
		E. I. BEEBE, Conf. Treas.	

Southern Illinois

CARTERVILLE.—We took our tent down August 24, after holding meetings eight weeks. The tent was open every night for services during the whole time. One night it rained so hard after the people had gathered that we could not be heard, so we held song service until quite late. With this exception, the truth was proclaimed every night, three times nearly every Sabbath, and twice on Sundays.

The meetings have been well attended from first to last. On several occasions, there were as many outside around the tent as were inside. We feel that the Lord has blessed the efforts which have been put forth. The brethren here have been scattering the printed page for the past two or three years, also a free reading-rack in a public place has been well supplied with our periodicals. The attention of the whole city has been aroused, and, no doubt, when we finish

the effort after our camp-meeting, a number who are now almost decided will take their stand with us.

About a score of people are deciding to obey. Several of these have kept from three to four Sabbaths already. We pray that the Lord will help them to fully decide, and then we know that He is able to keep them from falling.

Brethren Ferris and Schartz have assisted me, and much attention has been given to visiting the people in their homes.

The brethren here just completed the building of a new school-house in which we will hold Sabbath and Sunday services until we build the church. W. WOODFORD.

ELIZABETHTOWN.—August 16 and 17, I visited the brethren at this place, held three services, and baptized two persons who will unite with our Conference church. We feel very grateful to our Heavenly Father for His blessing at this time. Hearts were made to rejoice because of loved ones taking their stand for the truth. W. WOODFORD.

Wisconsin

Canvassing Experiences

I am thankful for the experiences I have received in the Master's work. My heart rejoices when I have the privilege of telling the people of God's love.

While canvassing a Roman Catholic, he told me there was no one interested in his welfare. I was glad to tell him of One who is interested in him and of the sweet peace which had come to me through trusting in the love of the Saviour. I quoted Matt. 5:18 to him, calling his attention to the fact that the seventh day is the Sabbath of God's law. He replied that he believed that the Adventists were right, as history proves that the day was changed by the Catholic Church.

I feel that I have been greatly blessed in this work for it has helped me to put my whole trust in God for His Spirit in meeting the people, many of whom seem to be thirsting for the indwelling of the Spirit. We should continually cooperate with Christ and pray for one another. He that trusts in God will be able to say, with Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

F. E. AUSTIN.

CANVASSERS' REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 2, 1910

*Southern Illinois						
Canvasser	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total
J. E. Dent.....(Del)	B.R.	21				
Mrs. J. E. Dent.....(Del)	D.R.	10				
Hollis Nelson.....	D.R.	70	15	46 00	60	46 60
		101	15	46 00	60	46 60
Northern Illinois						
J. H. Hicks.....	G. C.	40½	15	54 15		54 15
L. C. Clarke.....	B. R.	40	9	32 00	3 75	35 75
D. R. Devereaux.....	P. G. H.	24	11	39 00	1 25	40 25
L. Black.....	(Del)	6				
		110½	35	125 15	5 00	130 15
†North Michigan						
C. E. Matteson.....	Del P. J.	96	56	92 00	21 85	113 85
K. V. Bjork(Del)	Pinn Rev.	97	18	45 10	8 05	53 15
C. Bartlett.....(Del)	C.K.	20	5	7 50		7 50
Wm. Cobbleddick(Del)	B.F.L.	70	16	18 50		18 50
		283	95	163 10	29 90	193 00
West Michigan						
Walter Boston.....	C.K.	24	6	7 50	1 50	9 00
12 Agents.		518½	151	\$341 75	\$37 00	\$378 75
*Two weeks						
Three weeks						

Obituaries

PHILO.—Helen Lenora Philo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Philo, was born at Otsego, Mich., July 1, 1909, and died after a brief illness July 24, 1910, aged one year and twenty-three days. Little Helen was the light and joy of the home and Brother and Sister Philo are comforted by the bright hope of seeing her again. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

S. E. WIGHT.

GOODENEUGH.—Died at her mother's home in Cambridge, Wis., Aug. 22, 1910, of Bright's disease, Mrs. Prudence Midbury Goodeneough. She was born in Cambridge, Wis., Dec. 2, 1893, and at the time of her death was 16 years, 8 months, and 20 days old. In the spring of 1910 she gave her heart to God and accepted the truth for this time. She died in full submission and hope. Remarks by the writer were based on Rev. 14:13.

W. W. STEBBINS.

WILLIAMS.—Barbara A. M. Lang was born at Bainbridge, Berrien Co., Mich., Nov. 10, 1862, and died at St. Joseph, Aug. 28. July 3, 1882, she was married to George P. Williams who died in 1908. She was a member of the Grand Rapids church. She was a devoted Christian, through her whole life doing what she could to relieve the suffering of others. Three brothers and five sisters, besides many friends, mourn their loss. The funeral services were conducted by Elder L. J. Branch in the Covert church. She sleeps beside her husband in the Covert Cemetery.

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GILBERT.—Samuel S. Gilbert was born in Auburn, Ohio, June 30, 1835, and died at Arcadia, Mich., July 11, 1910, aged seventy-five years and eleven days. He came to northern Michigan fifty-four years ago when it was one vast wilderness, and for some time he was the only white man for miles along the shore. The Indians were numerous but friendly. He learned to converse with them in their own language and was always on very friendly terms with them, an old chief giving him the name of Puckwe King, meaning Bear Lake Man, near which lake he spent a number of years. In 1863 he returned to Ohio and there married Mrs. Oliva Morton who died here five years ago. To this union were born six children, four of whom and an adopted son survive. He is also survived by three brothers and one sister. Brother Gilbert was a charter member of the Frankfort church. He accepted the Sabbath from reading a book that he

bought of a canvasser. Funeral services were conducted by the writer, and the large attendance testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held.

L. G. NYMAN.

ITEMS OF INTEREST**Emmanuel Missionary College**

Henry Elliot returned to the College, Friday.

The grapes will be ready for market next week.

Miss Winona DeCamp visited at the College last Sabbath.

Miss Lucile Mallory was a visitor at the College last Sabbath.

Professor Graf returned Friday from the Wisconsin camp-meeting.

Orders have already been received for all the later crop of pears.

Miss Mae Lewins left Thursday night for the Wisconsin camp-meeting.

Miss Swartout is visiting at the home of her brother, Mr. Hubert O. Swartout.

Miss Nellie Strickler returned to Washington, D. C. last week, after a month's visit with her parents.

Mrs. O. J. Graf returned Friday from Nebraska where she has been visiting since the close of Summer School.

Mr. E. A. Piper has returned from Sheridan, Ill., where he has been assisting in putting in the academy heating plant.

Over 3000 quarts of Bartlett pears have already been canned. They are very fine. Several hundred quarts will be for sale.

The workers at the cannery are kept very busy now. They are canning pears, tomatoes, string beans, beets, and beet greens.

Miss Maggie Giddings of Purdy, Mo., arrived last week and is staying at the home of her aunt, Mrs. U. S. Clymer. She expects to attend school here coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartwald, of Holland, Mich., and Mr. John Stokkie of Chicago, were visitors at the College one day last week. Mr. Stokkie was a student here five years ago.

Prof. and Mrs. B. E. Huffman arrived last week from College View, Nebr. Prof. Huffman is to be our preceptor and teacher of Bible and science the coming year and Mrs. Huffman is to be our piano teacher.

Professor B. B. Smith, who will be at the head of the commercial department during the coming year, has been devoting considerable time to the equipping of the department. Professor Smith is very favorably impressed with

the outlook for this branch of the work, and from the present indications this department will soon be able to supply the many calls for business workers in our institutions.

Wisconsin**Camp-Meeting Notes**

Professor Graf arrived on Tuesday the 7th,

Elder and Mrs. Moon left Wednesday for the Southern Illinois camp-meeting.

We have been glad to note quite an attendance from the city of Grand Rapids.

Up to this date (Wednesday, Sept. 8), the weather has been quite pleasant—just enough rain to help us to appreciate the sunshine.

Those in charge of the young people's meetings report a livelier interest on the part of the young people than ever before noted in this conference.

Mrs. H. Odell, a Bible worker of Chicago and some of its suburbs and long connected with the "Life Boat" work in that city, is one of the interested and interesting campers.

A large number of young people have been making inquiries regarding the educational work, and the prospects are that Bethel Academy will be full to overflowing the coming year.

On Tuesday morning, the 6th, ten persons were baptized by Elder Hoffman, assisted by Elder Post. Seven of this number were adults. Another baptismal service is to be held later.

A strong sermon was delivered last evening by Elder E. W. Farnsworth showing the utter inconsistency of the nations crying "Peace, peace," while making every preparation for war.

One sister remarked to the writer, "I think this is the best camp-meeting I ever attended. I have received the most from it because I expected a blessing." There is much food for thought in that expression.

At the close of the sermon by Elder Wight, president of the West Michigan Conference, a large number went forward in response to an earnest call for deeper consecration. Among these were several who desired baptism.

Besides Wisconsin ministers, we have had with us, all or part of the time, Elders Farnsworth, Moon, Wight, Covert, and Slade from other conferences, and are expecting Elder O. A. Olsen also. All are giving most excellent help.

A blessed Sabbath was enjoyed at the camp the third day of the meeting. About 400 people gathered in the large pavilion at 9:30 A. M., for Sabbath-school, under the superintendency of Prof. C. L. Stone of Bethel Academy. The review was conducted by Mrs. Allen Moon.

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MRS. LOU K. CURTIS - EDITOR

Wisconsin (continued)

The marriage of Floyd D. Smith of Excelsior Springs, Mo., and Miss Lula Cutler, was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents in Bethel, Wis., on Wednesday evening, August 31, Elder Thurston officiating.

West Michigan

The Otsego church-school opens today.

Now is the time to order lesson quarterlies.

Elders Hebner and Horton have opened tent-meetings in Urbandale.

Elder Wight spent about five hours last week in Otsego at the office.

Elder J. W. Covert reports three baptisms at Allegan, since camp-meeting.

L. J. Philo has bought a place in Berrien Springs, and is moving his family there.

There were twenty-five individuals baptized in Battle Creek at the camp-meeting.

The camp-meeting goods this year have been stored in the Tabernacle basement, thus saving considerable expense in freight.

A number of articles were picked up on the camp-ground. Anyone having lost anything may be able to find it by sending a description to the office at Otsego.

Elder S. E. Wight and Brother A. C. Haughey are attending the Southern Illinois camp-meeting at Shelbyville. Miss Edna Ayars is also there and will go direct to her school in that field.

After the camp-meeting closed the book tent was held, and Elder Sanders

and Brother May repaired the tents so that next year they will be ready for camp-meeting. They closed their work last Friday.

Many of the readers of the HERALD were acquainted with Elder M. D. Warfle who died in the West a few months ago. A short time previous to his death he composed a song entitled "Supplication." This has been published and copies may be obtained at the Tract Society. Twenty-five cents in stamps will bring it to you.

We have a supply of tracts put up in twenty-five cent packages. There are four different envelopes. No. 1, contains tracts on the "Signs of the Times" and the "Coming of the Lord;" No. 2, "The Sabbath;" No. 3, "State of the Dead" and "Immortality of the Soul;" No. 4, Miscellaneous. Each package is as complete as we could make it on the subject and is just right for use among friends and neighbors, and is well supplied with the smaller sized tracts that fit nicely in envelopes.

Mr. Claude H. Countryman of Graysville, Tenn., and Miss Esther Bradwald were united in marriage by Elder P. E. Broderson, on the evening of July 27, at the home of Brother and Sister Bradwald of Holland, Mich. A number of relatives and friends were present and a very pleasant and profitable time was enjoyed.

JUST FOR TO-DAY

Lord, for to-morrow and its needs
I do not pray;
Keep me, my God, from stain of sin
Just for to-day.
Let me both diligently work
And duly pray;
Let me be kind in word and deed
Just for to-day.
Let me be slow to do my will,
Prompt to obey.

Do not forget that the Missionary Volunteer Reading Courses begin in the *Youths' Instructor* of October 4. This is a rare opportunity for young people to be guided in systematic reading of a few carefully selected books. Do not miss it.

Birthday Cards

Sabbath-school teachers, show your pupils that you are personally interested in them by remembering their birthdays. One superintendent reports that they use the cards in connection with their birthday box. Whenever a member of the school has a birthday, he contributes to the birthday box as many

pennies as he is years old. He is then presented with the Sabbath-school Birthday Card. Very satisfactory results are reported. Give the cards a trial. Price, five cents each, six for twenty-five cents; one hundred for \$3.50. Address Sabbath School Department, Takoma Park Station, Washington, D. C.

WANTED.—A permanent home in a Seventh-day Adventist family for a girl 14 years of age. Healthy, has had one year in church-school. Write at once, stating number in family and ages. Anna M. Woodbury, 1501 Lawrence Ave., Beloit, Wis.

LOANS.—The West Michigan Conference can use some money on time loans, and it is desirable that the rate of interest be low or that no interest be charged. Conference association notes will be given and either large or small sums will be acceptable. S. E. Wight, President.

FOR SALE.—The West Michigan Conference is interested in the sale of a house and lot. It is an eight-room house and five-eighths of an acre of ground set out to small fruit, in the city of Charlotte. Anyone who would like a good home at a very reasonable figure may secure this for \$900 of the West Michigan Conference or of Mrs. A. M. VanHorn, 338 Maple St., Charlotte, Mich.

MALTSUGAR FREE.—"We were especially pleased with the Malt sugar sent, which is the best thing of the kind I ever saw."—*New York*.

Our offer to include extra foods to fully pay the freight on \$10 shipments and give six pounds Malt sugar free, East of Colorado, until Sept. 20 is hereby extended to Oct. 25. Cooking Oil and 45-lb cans Nut Butter cannot apply on this offer. Half freight and three pounds with \$5 shipments. This offer is the most liberal we have ever made and will positively be withdrawn Oct. 25. Do not miss it.

The factory is very busy, having sold more foods in August than during any previous month. We supplied foods for thirty-six camp-meetings this year as compared with twenty-five last year.

There are no better foods made than we are making and they don't taste like money either—you can afford to live on them. Order direct, or through your Tract Society. Nashville Sanitarium-Food Factory, Nashville Tenn.