

A. G. Daniels



"The HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW"

### DEVIL'S LAKE CAMP MEETING

The northeast local camp-meeting was held in Mr. Boughman's grove, next to the Chautauqua grounds, and on the border of the lake. There were about ninety of our people present, but the attendance from the outside was light. The round of pleasure at the Chautauqua presented too strong an attraction. Our own people, however, seemed to enjoy the meeting and the deep movings of the Spirit of God were manifested. Two meeting tents were pitched, one for the English and the other for the Scandinavian brethren, and two meetings a day were held in the latter language. The laborers present were Elders G. F. Enoch, Reppe, Reed, A. E. Christian, Jorgensen, Lawrence, and Huntley.

The brethren and sisters responded very heartily to calls for the home work and also for foreign missions. About \$570 in cash and pledges were donated toward the Sheyenne River Academy, and \$850 for foreign missions. These gifts we consider large, being an average of \$15.77 per individual.

On Sabbath, July 14, nearly all took part in the ordinances of the Lord's house, a privilege that

some had not had for many years, and others had never had, though Sabbath-keepers for a number of years. I think the most interesting testimony meeting I ever witnessed was held among the brethren at the close of the ordinance of humility. The sweet spirit of God came in, confessions were made, and heart-to-heart talks revealed the blessedness of doing as the Master said we should.

The last meeting was held Sunday evening, and the following night all the workers except Brother Graham had left for their respective fields of labor.

This meeting closed the series of camp meetings for the season. All were profitable. The Spirit of God was present, and I am sure those who attended were blessed in large measure and better prepared for the conflicts before them than if they had remained at home.

The reason for the deep spirituality of our meetings was, we are almost sure, the complete divorcement of conference business from them. We believe this course is in harmony with the mind of God, and we have seen something of the good results.

May the Lord help us always to stand firmly on the platform of truth.

J. G. WALKER.

### TRIPP, S. D.

Tripp is a German town, with a population of about 500 persons. At our first meeting, July 5, we had about fifty in attendance. The interest increased until we had on an average of about one hundred each evening. The people came regardless of rain or storm. One evening we had decided not to hold a meeting on account of the rain, but several men came to our house and asked us to come out. We went into the tent, and after a ten-minute song service we had almost our usual number again.

We often speak of the heathen who are in darkness and know nothing of this precious truth, but we have found quite a number who have never heard of such a people as the Seventh-day Adventists. Many have been coming merely to hear what the boys had to say, but one of the leading men of the town told us that Tripp had never studied the Bible so much as in the last two weeks. He said: "They talk Bible even in the saloons." Others said: "Those boys know more about the Bible than all Tripp put together."

Sunday evening, July 21, we began presenting the Sabbath truth. About 200 were present. The whole town is now stirred.

Some have tried to induce the pastor of one of the churches, who has been attending our meetings regularly, to take up a debate with us, but he told them: "I have heard nothing but truth from that tent, and I can say nothing against it." We hope and pray that he will take his stand for the truth.

God's Spirit is at work. He is guiding, and we are glad to be his humble instruments through whom he may work. Pray for these interested souls at Tripp.

DANIEL WALL.

C. K. REISWIG.

A. F. SCHMIDT.

The German tent company.

#### NOTES BY THE WAY

Since returning from Europe a number of people have asked me, "Did you go to see the pope when you were in Rome?" No. However, I called at his residence, the Vatican, and spent the best part of one day there. I was assured that with a little preliminary arrangement we could have had an audience with his eminence. On such occasions it is expected that the visitors will kneel at the feet of the pope, kiss his hand, and give expressions of homage to his holiness, etc. From all this I begged to be excused.

The Vatican palace is the residence of the pope, and is the administrative center of the whole Catholic church. The piazza fronting St. Peter's, and facing the Vatican on the east, is surrounded by a colonnade formed of gigantic pillars, numbering two hundred and eighty-four. These pillars are sixty-four feet high, and form the support of three covered passage-ways to the Vatican. Each of these passage-ways have space for two carriages to be driven abreast

The pavement in the piazza alone cost a sum equal to two hundred thousand dollars. The piazza is large enough for two hundred thousand soldiers of infantry, cavalry and artillery to stand inside of the circle surrounded by the colonnade.

The pope has often stood in an elevated position, overlooking the vast throngs that have congregated here, and pronounced his benediction and blessing upon the multitude below. The piazza is located upon a part of the old Circus ground, upon which Nero often nailed Christians to crosses; here he worried some with dogs and wild beasts. Others he smeared with pitch and set on fire to serve as torches for lighting up the scenes of his revelries.

At the center of the piazza, near the ever-flowing fountain, is the oldest Egyptian obelisk in Rome. It is located at the place where, it is claimed, Peter was crucified. This obelisk was erected in Egypt in honor to the sun god. Jacob and his children looked upon this monument. It was brought to Rome at a great expense by Caligula, and erected in the old circus of the emperors in honor of the sun god. It was moved to its present position by Sextus V in 1586 A. D. Its great weight required 900 men and 200 horses, with ropes, cranes, etc., to place it in its present position. Sextus commanded the workmen not to speak a word during the time of its erection on pain of death. The great weight of the stone having stretched the ropes to that extent that it seemed impossible to swing the stone into position, one of the workmen cried out, "Aqua alle funi," "Water on the ropes." This suggestion was promptly acted on and the great stone was swung into place. The pope pardoned

the workman, and ever after allowed his family to furnish the palms to Rome on Palm Sunday, which was esteemed a great honor.

In the days of Pope Pius IX 2,348 persons lived in the Vatican. It is by far the largest palace in the world. It has 11,000 chambers and rooms of different sizes. Chief among the present occupants, aside from the pope, is Cardinal Rampolla, the secretary of the papal hierarchy. Of less note there are many dignitaries, cardinals and monks.

Among the rooms of the Vatican worthy of special mention is one accredited to possess the greatest triumphs of the world of art—the Sistine chapel. This chapel was erected in 1573 by Sextus IV, after whom it was named. At the end of the chapel is an altar and a modest platform upon which is placed the pope's chair. Here is where the pope is crowned after his election. The paintings in this room have attracted world-wide admiration. Michael Angelo's painting of "The Last Judgment" required seven years of his most patient labor to complete. While the painting shows the skill of the master's hand, and is admired by thousands as one of the greatest pieces of art in the world, I must confess that the general impression that I received from the painting, aside from the skill of workmanship, struck me as a burlesque on the character of Christ and the judgment day. However, it serves the purpose for which it was designed, namely, to fasten upon the minds of devoted Catholics the dogmas of the church, especially the need of importuning the Virgin Mary and all of the good saints in behalf of the souls in purgatory. The center of the painting is oc-

cupied by the form of the Saviour, who is being supplicated by the Virgin Mary in behalf of the souls on his left hand, who are being dragged down by demons to purgatory and the lowest hell. Christ is represented as frowning upon the lost, while the Virgin Mary and other saints are imploring him in behalf of the souls in hell. The Virgin Mary and the saints are holding out strings of rosary beads toward those in purgatory, inviting them to take hold of them, so that by this means they can be drawn out of hell. Think of the influence that this one painting has had upon millions of souls to confirm them in such false conceptions of Christ. In the original painting the figures were naked. One of the cardinals, Biagio, of Cesena, who was master of ceremonies at that time, complained to the pope that the figures were indelicate and required that they should be draped. This Michael Angelo refused to do, and by way of retaliation painted out the features of one of the figures in the domain of lost souls, and painted those of Cardinal Biagio in its place. The cardinal appealed to the pope to have his picture removed from this unpleasant position. The pope replied that as he had been placed in the lowest hell by the artist he had no power to release him. Therefore the cardinal was doomed as long as Michael Angelo's painting should last. After the death of Michael Angelo the pope employed an artist to drape the figures. Ever after he was called the "breeches maker."

It is impossible to give in language an adequate description of the various rooms of this wonderful palace. The gallery of statues is called "the inexhaustible treasure house of art." This gallery not only contains master-

pieces of Raphael, Michael Angelo and others, but it contains many of the ancient sculptures dug out of the ground, whose history dates back before Christ. Here is seen the original statue of Julius Caesar, Augustus Caesar, Hadrian, Caracalla, Constantine, etc. There are many statues in honor of the gods of Pagan times, such as, Apollo, Venus, Pan, etc.

No room contains more valuable material than the library. Its books and manuscripts are enclosed in cabinets and securely locked. It contains over two hundred and twenty thousand volumes, of which twenty-five thousand are Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Arabic, Syriac, Chinese, etc. There are two rooms used for these books and other rare presents. One of these rooms is the largest room in the world. It is nearly one-half mile in length. The ceilings are garnished with gold, silver, and most precious stones. Rev. 18:7-12 is the best description that can be given of this symbolical Babylon. Here are found the richest and rarest marbles, stones, and woods known to the world.

Costly gifts made by kings, emperors and the rich of many countries are among the treasures of the Vatican. Napoleon the Great, the Czar of Russia, the Emperor of Germany, and the Khedive of Egypt are among the donors to the various popes of costly diamonds, stones, marbles, carved woods and gold and silver presented in a great variety of forms. Many of these gifts represent millions of dollars and are regarded as priceless.

No one can behold all this great wealth, display and power and not wonder at the beast. Rev. 13:3. The wonder is why this power was permitted to rule the world with an unbroken iron

hand for 1,260 years. The redeemed will know why some day. To-day the man at the head of this great system of ecclesiastical power, and its recognized infallible head, is a prisoner within these gorgeous walls.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

## Alberta

### THE ALBERTA CAMP MEETING

The Alberta camp meeting held at Lacombe, July 1-7, was in every respect a success. Over a score of family tents were pitched. The weather was pleasant throughout the meeting. About 175 persons were present over the last Sabbath and Sunday. The last Sabbath was a day of victory for the camp, many uniting in publicly seeking the Lord for victory over sin, and for strength to live a Christian life among neighbors and friends.

Donations in cash and pledges to the amount of \$979 were made for South America, the Alberta school fund and for camp meeting expenses. The receipts for the rent of tents, the sale of foods, etc., exceeded the camp meeting expenses by about \$20.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, Elder C. A. Burman; vice president, Elder J. W. Boynton; secretary and treasurer, Stella B. Lowry; secretary of Sabbath school and young people's work, Mrs. Leona Burman; field missionary agent, W. O. James; conference committee, Elders Burman, Boynton, Block, A. C. Anderson, and T. E. Thornton.

The needs of the school were given careful consideration, and it was decided to open the school October 31 and close it April 13, with a two weeks' vacation for a second trip to the woods if

deemed advisable. Elder Burman and wife and Victor Hawley were chosen as teachers. Board, room and tuition in the school home will cost \$3 per week; 75 cents tuition will be charged students living outside the home. The school fund, in cash and pledges, at the present time amounts to \$3,900.

The following is the make up of the tent companies for the summer:—

Patience—Hans Bonde.

Manville—Elder J. W. Boynton.

Calgary—Elder C. A. Burman and wife, Nathan Aalborg and wife, Victor Hawley.

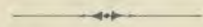
Calgary, German—Elder Henry Block and Conrad Reimche.

Olds or Sedgwick—Elder A. C. Anderson.

Leavings or vicinity—Elder J. C. Christian.

Action was taken toward the purchase of new tents for camp meeting and for one in which to hold meetings in small towns.

The camp meeting was thoroughly enjoyed by those in attendance, and the people returned to their homes much encouraged.



### South Dakota

#### CHAMBERLAIN

At the close of our camp meeting I shipped my household goods and one of our assembly tents to this place, and with my family drove across the country a distance of 125 miles, arriving at Chamberlain July 2. We moved into a barn, I had built for this purpose, until we could build a house. There was at this time no place to be had in this city, there being a scarcity of dwelling houses. After getting settled as best we could, we began a course of meetings July 12. We have had a good attend-

ance from the start, and the interest is deepening in the hearts of the people. We are sure that many in this place will take their stand for the truth. God has a care for his work, and it is prospering everywhere.

The sanitarium is nearly completed, and some patients have already arrived to be cared for. We are confident that this branch of the Third Angel's Message will be revived in this conference. A class of young people are already in training for this branch of the Lord's work. There is a place for each one to fill in the harvest field. I pray that God will help our young people to become actively engaged in the work of saving souls, for what we do must be done quickly, for the "coming of Christ draweth nigh." Elder Harter arrived July 16, to stay during the summer, and will assist in the meeting. His help will be appreciated by the people of this place. We ask our people to remember this interest in their prayers. C. M. CLARK.

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### Minnesota

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

As we review the work of this department during the past year our hearts go out with gratitude to our heavenly Father for the many blessings he has bestowed, and for the privilege of having a little part in this great closing work. The effort, as heretofore, has been to keep our people in touch with the plans of work suggested, and to encourage each one to have some active part in fulfilling the last commission of our Saviour, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

In this we have tried to keep the isolated ones in touch with all the plans for work that have been sent to the churches. The effort has been appreciated by these lone ones and many good letters have been received from them showing their interest in the work and their desire to have a part in it.

During the year eighteen of our churches have reported regularly each quarter, thirty-three have sent in from one to three reports, and thirteen have not been heard from at all. In four of the last named places there has been no mission secretary.

The matter of securing individual reports from the members in the churches seems to be growing more and more difficult, and it is a perplexing problem to our mission secretaries what to do in regard to it. Many of the mission secretaries have hesitated about sending in a report on this account, while others have made out a faithful report of whatever they could get—little or much. These efforts on the part of our mission secretaries have been highly appreciated, but the summary of the work as given below falls far short of what it ought to be, or of what has really been done in the state.

The summary of reports received from the churches is as follows: Average number reporting each quarter, 37; letters written, 1,350; letters received, 720; missionary visits, 3,223; Bible readings held, 985; subscriptions for periodicals, 143; papers distributed, 41,119; pages of books and tracts distributed, 333,703; articles of bedding and clothing given away, 1,482; and 815 hours of Christian help work; beside four loads of wood, and \$5 in money that was given to purchase clothing for the poor.

An average of 33 reports was

received each quarter from the Home Department, the summary of which shows: 150 letters written, 138 letters received, 51 Bible readings, 19 subscriptions for periodicals, 209 missionary visits, 3,949 periodicals distributed, 35,208 pages of books and tracts distributed, and 296 hours of Christian help work.

Perhaps a few extracts from some of the letters received from these lone ones may be of interest to all, and will show something of the spirit with which they are trying to give the message in their little part of the great vineyard. They are as follows:—

"During the past quarter my sister and I have been making an effort to get the truth into the hands of some of our neighbors and friends. We ordered our German paper sent to seven of our German neighbors for three months, and sent in ten subscriptions to *Liberty* for friends, also secured five subscriptions for the *Signs* for three months." In another letter she says, "I must tell you of another effort we are making. The children of three of our neighbors meet at our home for Bible study. (They call it Sunday school.) I would much prefer they would come on the Sabbath, but on account of prejudice and work I feel quite certain it would not be wise to speak of it. I am so pleased to have them come at all. There were seven of them here this morning. These poor little ones come from most ungodly homes, and I do so long to lead them to the Saviour." Later she writes, "Our little Bible class has grown to an enrollment of sixteen."

The reading rack put up at the corner of the Minneapolis, English, church worked very nicely, and something over 800 papers and 9,500 pages of tracts were

taken from it. We know not into whose hands the seed has fallen or what the result may be. But we do know that the one, whose own the work is, will have a tender watchcare over it and fulfill the promise, "It shall not return unto me void."

Thus we see the seeds of truth being scattered here and there over the state, but this is not all. From the treasurer's report we gather that \$5,625.88 has gone to the work in foreign lands from Minnesota the past year.

From the reports received from time to time we can see that the message is going as never before. While a "power from beneath" seems to be taking hold of every earthly element, we can also see that hearts are being stirred by the Spirit of God.

ELLA E. MERICKEL.

#### ST. PAUL

Perhaps those who are donating for the church buildings in St. Paul and Duluth would be interested to know something of the work in these places.

St. Paul has a population of 200,000. There are many foreigners and many Catholics. We have a church membership of 88 at present, 15 new members having been baptized during the past year, besides a number who united by letter. Several have changed their membership from St. Paul to other places, and seven have been laid to rest in death.

A good interest still exists among those who have attended Bible studies, and most of them are anxious to study further. Some of these have begun to keep the Sabbath and will soon unite with us. It is inspiring to see the new members come with their tithe and offerings. As the matter of building a church was being considered these new

ones, including some who have not yet united with us, came to the front with their offerings. This has certainly been encouraging. Thus far \$1,200 has been raised at St. Paul in cash and pledges. Most of the amount pledged will be ready soon. It is already coming in.

For years the St. Paul church has moved here and there, having no church home. It has made twenty-six moves in the past twenty-four years. As we go among the people we are constantly confronted with such questions as these, "Where is your church?" "Do you hold evening services?" "I suppose you have Sunday evening services, don't you?" "Why don't you tell these things so that all can hear them?" "Why don't you have a church down in the center of the city?" "Do you think your work will stand long without a church home?" These and other similar questions are being met constantly.

Our numbers are largely women whose husbands are not in the truth, few of them having means at their command. The obligation of building has forced itself upon us until we could resist no longer. We believed the burden of carrying this message to the thousands of this city should be shared by all of our people in the state, and that they would gladly come to our rescue could they but understand the situation. This was also the mind of all the conference workers, and we were gratified at camp meeting to see the willingness on the part of all not only to vote to build, but also to donate liberally toward it. The \$3,000 to be raised for St. Paul and Duluth is a small amount when the cost of building material and labor is taken into consideration. Still if the whole amount can be

gathered in quickly, we shall soon have completed memorials for the truth in these important centers. Our lot in St. Paul will cost from \$1,000 to \$1,500. Several have pledged labor in addition to their cash donation, and by using this we hope to get the building completed for \$3,000. This means that we still have to raise at least \$300 here in St. Paul. This must come largely from the friends of the church, for nearly all of our people have donated to the extent of their ability. I have a letter of introduction and recommendation from the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. With this I hope to get some assistance from the business men. A friend of the church has promised to make plans and specifications and take charge of the work of building free, providing we can start the work soon. He will go away for the winter, so that we must move rapidly if we secure this valuable assistance.

At present we are in the midst of a tent effort in the very best part of the city. Our attendance is fair and steady, and composed of the finest class of people. We are distributing reading matter daily to nearly 400 families, and many of these express great interest. We ask all to pray for us and to assist financially as the Lord shall direct. Send all money to C. M. Everest, Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

F. A. DETAMORE.

### SPECIAL NOTES

One of the lady students from the Elk Point school took \$63 worth of orders one week in May. The same week a sister from College View took \$37.50. Brother J. P. Glembin in the months of April and May took \$706.75. Who says books can

## THE BOOK WORK

### MINNESOTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 20

Name	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
Celia Tichenor	H. H.	29	26	72 00		72 00	
Alma Larson	H. H.	30	17	48 50		48 50	
H. O. Olson	G. C.	53	25	66 50	15 00	81 50	1 30
A. H. Anderson	G. C.	33	12	34 00	3 00	37 00	
M. Ruskjer	G. C.	33	17	48 50	2 10	50 60	
Iver Hilde	G. C.	48	23	58 50		58 50	
F. Stratton	H. M.	43	18	31 50	1 00	32 50	1 00
Nina Barnhard	"	31	12	21 00	7 00	28 00	
A. Christenson	"	44	14	24 50	1 00	25 50	1 00
R. C. Livingston	"	37	12	21 00	3 25	24 25	1 25
A. B. Francis	"	36	12	23 25		23 25	
C. J. Martinson	"	41	11	19 25	4 50	23 75	1 00
Eleanor Cram	"	30	7	12 25	4 50	16 75	
E. Grimstad	"	39	8	14 00		14 00	4 40
Hazel Ross	"	16	3	5 25	4 15	9 40	
Lulu Pressnall	"	1	1	1 75		1 75	
Mrs. C. B. Sargeant	B. F. L.	30	10	10 00		10 00	11 00
Totals,	17 agents	574	228	\$511 75	\$45 50	\$557 25	\$20 95

### SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 20

Geo. P. Glembin	G. C.	43	10	30 00	2 75	32 75	
Roy Betts	G. C.	26	9	23 50	50	24 00	
C. D. Terwillegar	G. C.	47	18	53 00	10 00	63 00	2 50
J. P. Glembin	G. C.	48	22	69 00	9 00	78 00	
Maggie Buckstead	H. M.	30	2	3 50	1 00	4 50	
M. Hendrickson	H. M.	27	10	17 50	3 00	20 50	
Clara Kier	"	27	5	8 75	50	9 25	
G. W. Miller	"	53	16	28 00	50	28 50	
Iver Hanson	B. R.	52	18	49 25	3 50	52 75	
Millie Betts	H. H.	24	1	2 50	1 00	3 50	
J. H. Eastman	D. R.	24	3	3 00	3 25	6 25	
Mary A. Morris	C. K.	22	15	15 00	8 50	23 50	
Totals,	12 agents	423	129	\$303 00	\$44 50	\$347 50	2 50

### NORTH DAKOTA—SIX WEEKS ENDING JULY 20

F. Christy	G. C.	60	28	72 00		72 00	
J. Myhre	G. C.		2	7 00	4 25	11 25	
J. Christy	G. C.	10	3	9 50		9 50	
D. S. Hagen	G. C.	22	1	2 50	2 50	5 00	
G. Ellingson	G. C.	42	21	55 50	2 75	58 25	
F. B. Juhl	H. H.	95	21	34 50		34 50	
E. Nelson	B. R.	72	12	28 25	8 75	37 00	
L. Chase	H. M.	68	37	67 00	5 25	72 25	
J. Olderbak	"	81	25	43 75		43 75	33 15
Totals,	9 agents	450	138	319 00	23 50	343 50	33 25

### ALBERTA—WEEK ENDING JULY 20

D. R. Devereaux	G. C.	35	13	42 50	3 75	46 25	
Ernest Ashton	H. M.	48	16	30 40	5 25	35 65	
L. O. Larson	H. M.	41	30	62 00	5 00	67 00	
Totals,	3 agents	124	59	\$134 90	\$14 00	\$148 90	
U. C. Totals	41 agents	1,571	654	\$1,268 65	\$127 50	\$1,397 15	56 70

not be sold in the Northern Union Conference? Last Wednesday and Thursday, June 26 and 27, Brother Geo. Glembin and I worked in Spink county, in the country. Wednesday we took \$22.50 worth of orders and Thursday \$9.50. Most of the day we

were in Catholic territory. Friday Brother Glembin alone took \$16 worth of orders.

Most of our agents in the Northern Union are doing remarkably well. God is blessing our work wonderfully. Still our workers are not putting in full time. Let us resolve as one man that we will strive for the 40 to 50 hour per week mark. We can do it and in the total sales in the Northern Union it would make an added difference of \$1,000 to \$1,500. Think of the profits to us and the additional number of souls warned.

Brethren, let us bend every effort to this end. Tact, push, energy and the genuine love of God for souls will make our work a success. Let us as book men employ these qualities with all the wisdom God gives us. Let us become skilled workmen, mastering the science and art of book selling as has never yet been done. God is willing to work for us as never before. God grant we may arouse to the call of the hour and become experts in the work to which God has called us. I fear sometimes we do not stay with our customers long enough. An experience I had Thursday will illustrate the point. The customer was a German, and at first seemed very favorably impressed, but as the canvass proceeded I could see he did not take very kindly to it. I closed the canvass and in a general way talked of the merits of the book. At last he said in a loud voice, "That was only written by a man, and he does not know any more about the end of time than I do. In fact, the whole Bible is only the opinions of men." "Yes," I said, in a quiet, subdued voice, "but you must admit that if men and women would follow its instructions this would be a

better world and a more pleasant place to live in. Now," I said, "for your children, (he had eight) you would find this book would make better men and women of them. It would fill their minds with good things, inspire high aspirations and instill into them those sterling qualities we all so much admire. All for \$2.50. How can you afford to be without it?" He then took a seat beside me, listened to what I had to say, and finally said, "Well, I believe I will take one."

Dear brethren, to meet these men, conquer their prejudices, overcome their objections, and win them to your side of the question is the grandest work given to man, and may God help us to do our work well, be his spokesmen, and share with him in the reward. Be not faint-hearted, but press the battle to the gates, for we are well able to take the city, so says our Captain.

W. L. MANFULL.

### THE MORNING CONSECRATION

At our first waking moment our hearts should be lifted to God for his help and blessing for the duties and perplexities and battles of the dawning day. Yesterday perhaps was full of disappointment and failure, and before us is something that terrifies us. At the very threshold of the day's conflict lift your heart to the Father in heaven. Should discouragement at that time, and paralyzing fear, seem to overpower you, say, "O Lord, truly I am thy servant; I am thy servant. Thou hast forgiven. Thou has received. Thou hast helped me in trouble. I give myself to you, and all these burdens and cares and temptations and conflicts for this day. Keep me according to thy promise

each moment under the shades of thy protecting wing. Help me to win some victory over my natural weaknesses, over the enemies within and without, to comfort and to bless some other soul in sorrow and darkness."

How can we begin the day without a thought of God? How can we begin the day without consecration to him of soul, body, might, mind, strength and heart? This morning consecration means a day of victory. Forgetfulness to give ourselves into his hands for the day may bring us in an unguarded moment into a snare. Shall we not pray at this time, and then without ceasing?

J. S. WASHBURN.

A COMPANY of eight young people worked their way from Indianapolis, Ind., to Mt. Vernon, Ohio, selling enroute in different towns visited 585 Instructors, 716 Life and Health, 124 Signs, a total of 1,425 papers.

WE are told that the Bible has been translated into 470 languages. The Third Angel's Message is now being given in 51 languages that reach fourteen hundred millions of people.

THE summer school at Maplewood opens August 8. Trains will be met Tuesday evening and Wednesday, August 7 and 8. Other trains will be met only by special arrangement.

WANTED—Late periodicals and tracts, English and other languages, for reading rack in railroad depot. Send to Miss Mabel Inger, 3301 Oakland Ave., Minneapolis, Minn.

WANTED—A man to help through harvest; will pay \$2.25 per day; will pay more if the neighbors do; begin about August 5; can drive binder half time. Write at once to W. J. Crandall, Helland, S. D.

FOR SALE—House and five lots in thriving town; good water; lots in young fruit trees. Write L. E. Jones, Fergus Falls, Minn.

FARM FOR SALE OR RENT—Will sell or rent my farm in Ottertail county, consisting of 120 acres; 75 acres under cultivation, balance in pasture and timber; fair buildings; plenty of wood and good water; six miles from town and 80 rods from school house; special terms. Address Lawrence Johnson, R. D. 2, Battle Lake, Minn.

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The July number of *Liberty* quotes some of the teachings of National Reformers and interprets them in plain English.

It compares the kingdom of Christ with the kingdoms of earth, and draws convincing conclusions that it is impossible to make Christ this world's king.

It records a long list of statements from eminent men bearing directly upon the great principles of religious liberty.

It reveals Christ as a Sabbath-keeper, proves from the testimonies of eminent men and the Bible that Sunday was not the day he kept, and draws the Scriptural conclusion that his followers will be like him—Sabbath-keepers.

Besides all this it sets forth the principles of Christian temperance as a proper and legitimate moral reform. This issue is worthy of a wide circulation.

ABOUT 80,00 bound books have been turned out by the bindery of

the Southern Publishing Association during the past six months, and these, with thousands of books from other publishing houses, have been shipped to different parts of the field during the same time. The value of these books is about twice the value of the books sent out during the same period last year.

EVERYONE interested in Sabbath school and young people's work should secure a copy of the proceedings of the young people's convention recently held at Mt. Vernon, O. The proceedings will be published in pamphlet form, and will cost ten cents. Order from your tract society.

I BELIEVE that the Young People's Department, the Sabbath School Department and the Educational Department have but one object in their work, to harness the energies of the young people and direct them in the work of the Third Angel's Message.—G. B. Thompson.

THE new General Conference Department, of which Brother M. E. Kern, of College View, is the head, will be known as the Seventh-day Adventist Young People's Missionary Volunteers, and our young people are our "Missionary Volunteers."

THE Young People's Society of Clearfield, Pa., have placed an order with the Review and Herald for 10,000 copies of the July number of *Liberty*. This society had previously sold 10,000 copies of another issue of the same journal.

ELDER R. A. UNDERWOOD spent a day last week in consultation with the officers and com-

mittee of the South Dakota Conference. Matters of importance connected with the Elk Point Academy were under consideration.

At the Young People's Convention when the question was asked, "How many are willing to work for God wherever he may call?" the entire body of young men and young women arose and dedicated their lives for service.

MISS ELLA E. MERICKEL, the Minnesota Sabbath school secretary, arrived home from the Young People's convention at Mt. Vernon, O., on Wednesday last. She reports good meetings and much helpful instruction.

C. H. CASTLE, treasurer of the North Pacific Union Conference, called at the Northern Union office a few days ago enroute to Hartford, Mich., to visit his father, who is in poor health.

THE Northern Union Conference teachers' examinations will be given at the close of the teachers' summer schools, both at Maplewood and Elk Point Academies, September 1, 2 and 3.

THE Western Washington Conference ordered 20,000 copies of the July number of *Liberty*, to be circulated at the annual convention of the Christian Endeavor Societies of America.

CANVASSERS are notified that Coming King, plain, German, is temporarily out of print, and no more orders should be taken for this book till further notice.

SEVENTY-FIVE per cent of the conversions in the evangelical churches take place between the ages of twelve and twenty-three, only seven per cent after that.