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MY REFUGE

[These lines were written by Ellen L. Goveh, a Brahman of the highest caste, adopted daughter of Rev. W. T. Stone, of Bradford, England.—Sabbath Reading.]

In the secret of his presence how my soul delights to hide.
 Oh, how precious are the lessons which I learn at Jesus' side!
 Earthly cares can never vex me, neither trials lay me low,
 For when Satan comes to tempt me, to the "secret place" I go.
 When my soul is faint and thirsty 'neath the shadow of his wing,
 There is cool and pleasant shelter, and a fresh and crystal spring;
 And my Saviour rests beside me, as we hold communion sweet;
 If I tried, I could not utter what he says when thus we meet.
 Only this I know: I tell him all my doubts and griefs and fears;
 Oh, how patiently he listens, and my drooping soul he cheers!
 Do you think he ne'er reproves me? What a false friend he would be
 If he never told me of the sins which he must surely see.
 Do you think that I could love him half so well as I ought
 If he did not tell me plainly of each sinful word and thought?
 No; he is so very faithful, and that makes me trust him more,
 For I know that he does love me, though he wounds me very sore.
 Would you like to know the sweetness of the secret of the Lord?
 Go and hide beneath his shadow; this shall then be your reward;
 And whene'er you leave the silence of that happy meeting place,
 You must mind and bear the image of your Master in your face.

You will surely lose the blessing and the fullness of your joy,
 If you let dark clouds distress you, and your inward peace destroy.
 You may always be abiding if you will rest at Jesus' side;
 In the secret of his presence you may every moment hide.

"I AM BUT A LITTLE CHILD"

MRS. E. G. WHITE

At the beginning of his reign king Solomon prayed, "O Lord, my God, thou hast made thy servant king instead of David my father: and I am but a child; I know not how to go out or come in."

Solomon had succeeded his father David to the throne of Israel. God greatly honored him, and as we know, he became in later years the greatest, richest and wisest king that had ever sat upon an earthly throne. Early in his reign Solomon was impressed by the Holy Spirit with the solemnity of his responsibilities, and, though rich in talents and ability, he realized that without divine aid he was as helpless as a little child to perform them. Solomon was never so rich nor so wise nor so great as when he confessed to the Lord, "I am but a little child;

I know not how to go out or come in."

It was in a dream, in which the Lord appeared unto him saying, "Ask what I shall give thee," that Solomon thus gave expression to his feeling of helplessness and of divine aid. He continued: "Thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered or counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this so great a people?"

"And the speech pleased the Lord, that Solomon had asked this thing. And God said unto him, Because thou hast asked this thing, and hast not asked for thyself long life; neither hast asked riches for thyself; nor hast asked the life of thine enemies; but hast asked for thyself understanding to discern judgment; behold, I have done according to thy words: lo, I have given thee a wise and an understanding heart; so there was none like thee before thee, neither after thee shall any arise like unto thee. And I have also given thee that which thou hast not asked, both riches and honor;

so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days." Now the conditions, "And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my judgments, as thy father David did walk, then I will lengthen thy days.

"And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem, and stood before the ark of the covenant, and offered up burnt offerings, and peace offerings, and made a feast to all his servants."

All who occupy responsible positions need to learn the lesson that is taught in Solomon's humble prayer. They are ever to remember that position will never change the character nor render man infallible. The higher position a man occupies, the greater responsibility he has to bear, the wider will be the influence he exerts, and the greater his need to feel his dependence on the wisdom and strength of God, and to cultivate the best and most holy character. Those who accept a position of responsibility in the cause of God should always remember that with the call of this work God has also called them to walk circumspectly before him and before their fellowmen. Instead of considering it their duty to order and dictate and command, they should realize that they are to be learners themselves. When a responsible worker fails to learn this lesson, the sooner he is released from his responsibilities the better it will be for him and the work of God. Position will never give holiness nor excellence of character. He who honors God and keeps his commandments, is himself honored.

The question which each should ask himself in all humility is, Am I qualified for this

position? Have I learned to keep the way of the Lord to do justice and judgment? The Saviour's earthly example has been given us that we should not walk in our own strength, but that each should consider himself, as Solomon expressed it, "a little child."

Every truly converted soul can say, "I am but a little child; but I am God's child." It was at infinite cost that provision was made whereby the human family might be restored to sonship with God. In the beginning God made man in his own likeness. Our first parents listened to the voice of the tempter, and yielded to the power of Satan. But man was not abandoned to the evil he had chosen. The promise of a deliverer was given. "I will put enmity between thee and the woman," God said to the serpent, "and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head; and thou shalt bruise his heel." Before they heard of the thorn and the thistle, of the sorrow and toil that must be their portion, or of the dust to which they must return, they listened to the words that could not fail of giving them hope. All that had been lost by yielding to Satan, could be regained through Christ. Those who accept the salvation brought to them in Christ will humble themselves before God as little children.

God wants his children to ask for those things that will enable him to reveal his grace through them to the world. He wants them to seek his counsel, to acknowledge his power. Christ lays loving claim on all for whom he has given his life; they are to obey his will if they would share the joys that he has prepared for all who reflect his character here. It is well for us to feel

our weakness; for then we will seek the strength and wisdom that the Father delights to give to his children for their daily strife against the powers of evil.

A PRESENT DUTY

Just at this time our people should engage in vigorous missionary work. The special Missions number of the *Signs* should be sold everywhere. The suggestion has been made by some of our young people's societies that they sell this paper, and give all the profits accruing from its sale to the missionary cause. Where this is done, it gives a great advantage in the sale of the paper. When one calls attention to the small amount given annually to the missionary cause in contrast with what is expended for tea, coffee, tobacco, liquor, and other hurtful articles, and states that all of the profit from the sale of this paper will be added to the missionary fund to send the gospel to heathen lands, very few people will refuse to take the paper. The paper is one of the best, if not the very best, ever published by the Pacific Press. It ought to have a sale of at least one million copies in this country.

Not only should we labor to sell this one number of the paper, but we should endeavor to secure subscribers for the same, embracing the six months' Bible studies that are to follow. I think the paper will contain five or six pointed articles upon Christian Science, contrasting its teachings with that of the word of God, during this six months' Bible study.

Sunday will be a good day to sell the *Signs of the Times*, especially if it is sold without any remuneration to ourselves, giving all the proceeds to the mission

cause. No one, even the strictest Sunday keeper, would object to paying ten cents for a paper, on those conditions, even on Sunday. I trust that the REAPER family will unite in the strongest missionary effort, during the present fall and winter, that they have ever engaged in since the Lord brought the light of the truth of the Third Angel's Message to their attention. Let the aged, the middle aged, and the young, even the children, take some part in this blessed gospel work and service for the Master.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

THE AMOUNT OF DONATIONS USED FOR SUPPLIES

When the question of giving all the donations in our Sabbath schools to missions is agitated, somebody is heard to say, "O, it won't make much difference in our school either way, for our donations are so small." Well, if they are small, it will perhaps be all the easier to give them. But did you ever stop to think how much of the donations has been absorbed by local schools in retaining a portion for purchasing supplies? You don't know? Well, I will tell you. It furnishes an interesting bit of Sabbath school information; for the amount is very large.

Since 1887, or during a period of twenty years, our Sabbath schools have given, in the aggregate, the sum of \$831,496.97. Of this amount \$515,722.33, or more than half a million dollars, has been given to missions. "That is quite a lot of money," I hear you say. Indeed, it is quite a handsome sum. But do not fail to note the difference between these two sums. While \$515,722.33 has found its way into the mission fund, \$315,774.64

has been reported as used for purchasing supplies. Just think of that! This is a large sum, and entirely out of proportion to the actual needs. Think what this sum might have done for our work in the "regions beyond." Had we actually given it to missions, instead of squandering it upon our own seeming necessities, think what a lot of money the Mission Board might have to-day to finance the work abroad; or if it had been expended, how much the work might have been extended in the field.

Just as the vast ocean is formed from small drops of water, and great rivers from tiny rivulets, so this sum, aggregating hundreds of thousands of dollars, expended for purchasing supplies in the local schools, is made up of small sums from the various local schools, principally in the United States, no particularly large sum being used in any one school.

Shall we not unitedly take hold and change this system, which has prevailed in our schools for so many years, and by which thousands of dollars have been diverted from our needy mission fields? Assuredly we ought. As a teacher, you can do much to bring about the much needed reformation in this matter. G. B. THOMPSON.

THE SPECIAL ISSUE

The new special issue of the *Watchman*, ready to mail early in November, will contain twenty-four pages filled with articles written for the one purpose of teaching the solemn and wonderful Gospel message which has been entrusted to the last generation to live on this earth.

It will be one of the strongest, clearest, and most satisfactory

issues ever printed of any paper to explain the fundamental principles of present truth in an age when vital Christianity is being repudiated in the lives of so many professors of religion.

The cover page illustration shows that the morning of eternity is about to break, and suggests that just now there is a special message due earth's inhabitants. This beautiful design will attract attention and lead to interest in the message contained in the pages which follow.

The special will be made very attractive by the use of several colors of ink in the numerous choice cuts. It will sell readily at ten cents per copy. There is no quicker way of getting the message of the soon-coming Saviour before the people than by means of such literature as this number of the *Watchman*. Here is a golden opportunity for thousands of consecrated workers.

BIBLE READINGS

There are many persons who would like to give their friends and neighbors a series of Bible Readings on present truth who do not feel capable or cannot spare the time to do so. The Bible Reading series of the *Signs of the Times* furnishes a splendid opportunity for all such to carry out their desires.

The next twenty-four numbers, beginning with November 13, will contain a course of Bible Readings covering all the main points of the message.

These studies will be taken up in the form of questions and answers. The answers in the main will be in the exact words of the Scripture, a plain "Thus saith the Lord." The texts will be quoted and references given, thus making the subjects plain

and impressive. We hear on every side what man says; let us now hear what God says.

These Bible Readings alone will be worth the price of the paper for six months, but in addition to these readings all the other departments of the paper will be kept up the same as usual. All who subscribe now, or during the month of November, will be entitled to the World's Missions double number, which is really a part of the series.

AMORY, MISSISSIPPI

Some weeks ago I wrote an article, telling how the work is going in this part of the great Southland. We are enjoying beautiful weather, and have many things to be thankful for. Our work is onward at Amory. We hope soon to see it finished, and Jesus our Saviour come to gather his faithful children home.

We are greatly in need of more help, and must have it before the work can be finished in this needy field. Our school began October 21 with ten students enrolled. We expect ten or fifteen more by the middle of November, after the fall work is done. We are now holding our school in a tent. Professor Tompkins and wife, several of the students, and the business manager are living in tents. The reason for this is that we have not means to build with as fast as we desire to. We want to put up a building 25 x 60 feet, three stories high, and then we will have plenty of room, so that none of our people will be compelled to sleep in tents. The foundation for the building is all laid. The doors, windows, locks and hinges have been bought and paid for. The lumber is all sawed and planed, but is still at the saw mill, and all that keeps us from building is the lack of means to

pay the sawyer's bill. Is there not some brother or sister who will send us about \$150 to meet this demand, so that the work of God will not be hindered?

In my last letter to the REAPER I stated that we needed a good mother for our home. Sister Jones, known to many in Minnesota, kindly consented to fill this responsible position, and is now here. For this we are very thankful to our father in heaven. We are all thankful for a part in the work in this great and needy field. We pray that God will put it into the hearts of many more to come and help us. If all would come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty, how quickly we could finish the work and be at home. Is there not someone who will come to help us or send us means. The Lord is soon coming, and what we do must be done now. I am sure if all could realize the great need in this dark, unwarned, neglected country, and that Jesus could not come until the work was done, more of the people would be willing to offer themselves and their means to help finish the work. Pray for us.

JAMES BELLINGER.

From the Field

Minnesota

ONE OF MANY

The following is a sample of many letters the undersigned receives. They are so encouraging that we feel we ought to pass this one on, and trust that the writer will not take offense.

We often hear it said that the work is done in Minnesota. This reminds me of an experience I had when a small boy, pulling

beans. Being sent to a distant corner of the farm to perform the task, I worked with great celerity, for fear of skunks and other ferocious beasts that might be lurking near. I endured the strain until the long rows were finished, and only four or five short rows remained. These it did not seem worth while to pull, under the circumstances, and so returning home I reported the job as finished, to the great surprise of my foster father.

Brethren there are a lot of short rows to be cleaned up yet before the work is ready for our Father's inspection.

Here is the letter:

"Dear Brother:—I will send you these lines to let you know about my trip north. The brethren at Alida are of good courage in the Lord. I had a splendid visit with them. Two persons were baptized. Brother Carlson thought his former baptism would do. The water was very cold to my body, but the candidates thought it was warm. A good congregation witnessed the baptism. The brethren will pay their tithes into the conference office. They promised to help with the church fund as soon as they get money from their crops. One brother gave me four dollars in cash. I held two meetings in the town hall, with a good attendance, and got a collection amounting to three dollars, which I will apply on the same fund.

"At Blackberry Brother Anderson, whom I came especially to see, was not at home. His wife and children are still interested, and I think I was able to help them on some points. I hope they can be baptized next year. She told that our Swedish paper is read with much interest by her mother, who lives six miles from Howard Lake, in a

large Scandinavian settlement. There is an empty church at this place in which we could hold meetings. There might be an opening for us there. At Blackberry I took up a collection for the church fund amounting to two dollars and forty-seven cents.

"I visited Feeley, and held a Sabbath afternoon meeting with the company there. These are all Americans. One German family has just begun to keep the Sabbath, and they need instruction and help. Another man has started, and some young people are interested. Brother Babcock knows this. There are some differences between the brethren, not serious, which should be evened out and an organization effected here. I believe some one should labor there to that end.

"I am now at Mahtowa for a day, because of a little trouble between two of the brethren, and Brother Nelson desired me to come. One of the men is very stubborn, and filled with a foreign spirit, so that I cannot do anything. He will not come to our meeting, neither will he allow the meeting to be held at his house. The rest of the people seem to be getting along nicely. Next Sabbath a harvest ingathering will be held at Mahtowa.

I leave here to-day for Rock Creek, where I will look up the interest west of that place."

"Here am I send me."

S. E. JACKSON.

DOES IT PAY?

Will it pay? Is the question we always ask when confronted with some business plan or proposition. It is wise to ask the question, not only when confronted with business propositions, but also to help us reach right conclusions when under-

taking some enterprise connected with the Lord's work.

A few days ago I visited one of our church schools. I felt sorry that there were not more children in attendance, but was glad to see the good work being done by those who were present. The children were just having the missionary meeting, which is held regularly every Monday afternoon from three to four o'clock. The officers of the missionary society are chosen from among the pupils—a president, secretary and treasurer. Readings, recitations and other exercises, that inspired the children with the missionary spirit, were on the program. The meeting closed with the writing of a missionary letter in which all the children had a part. The teacher wrote the letter on the board, and the children copied it, thus duplicating the letter. The letter had to be written with care, the children taking the precaution to have the proper arrangement of the date and salutation, and then each student addressed an envelope for his own letter. Copies of the Family Bible Teacher were being sent to each of these names and addresses.

The children were taught to make beautiful mottoes by perforating with a pin the outlines, drawn on cardboard, of different forms of foliage, arranged with lettering of mottoes, like, "Thy Word is Truth," "God is Love," etc. These perforations are worked in with different colors of mercerized thread, and produce a very beautiful effect. These mottoes are sold for five cents apiece, and the money is given to the southern missionary work. This is all done aside from their other studies and recitations, so that every moment is filled in, and who can say that

these children are not developing habits of industry, and imbibing a spirit of working and laboring for others which is worth many times the effort it cost to maintain this school. If all of our young people and children were developing a missionary spirit like this, I could prophesy for the future a small army of recruits for the canvassing work and a strong force of volunteer missionaries for the foreign fields. Does it pay to keep the children in the hands of a teacher where the needs of mission fields are kept before them? Or does it pay to send them to the public schools and see them imbibe the spirit of the world and drift out and away from us? The extra expense may seem to fall heavy, but, dear brethren, it is worth the sacrifice made. It pays in the end. It pays to have your children learn something of the spirit of sacrifice from youth. It pays to have their minds developed with the idea that some day they will be workers in the cause. You cannot afford to have it otherwise.

FRANK F. FRY.

ALIDA

It was my privilege to visit the brethren at Alida, November 1-4. Alida is twelve miles south of Shevlin, the station on the Great Northern railway, and has two small stores, with post office and town hall, in which two well attended public meetings were held.

Sunday afternoon we repaired to a beautiful lake, where one brother and one sister were baptized in the presence of a goodly number of neighbors and friends.

The disciples of present truth here number only three, but they are of good courage notwithstanding, and thankful for the

light. They meet on Sabbath to encourage one another the best they can. They wish to help support the cause by making donations and paying tithe. These isolated brethren, who have no church to attend, appreciate the weekly visits of our paper as no one else not similarly situated can do. The REAPER, too, takes a trip up there once a week. Let us, then, one and all, send along with it something that will encourage lonely ones.

FRED JOHNSON.

WHERE IS THE FLOCK THAT WAS GIVEN THEE?

How many a head is dropped and eyes are filled with tears as this question of Holy Writ is asked. To all such we have a word of comfort and courage. It is this. Brother C. L. Benson has come among us for the express purpose of helping you to make your boy and girl of the most possible service to himself or herself and to humanity in general.

Brother Benson has been for some time engaged in the young people's work in the Central Union Conference. His efforts have been blessed of God in a marked manner. We believe and pray that the same results will attend his efforts here.

If you are desirous of having something done along this line, write to Brother Benson at box 989, Minneapolis. We feel sure that such letters will be noticed and appreciated.

S. E. JACKSON.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Brother Martinus Ruskjer, one of the faithful canvassers, called in at our printing office on Tuesday on his way to Union College. Brother Ruskjer was at Maplewood last winter, having secured

THE BOOK WORK

SOUTH DAKOTA—WEEK ENDING NOV. 9

Name	Book	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
C. D. Terwillegar	G. C.	30	3	7 50	4 00	11 50	95 95
W. H. Twining	H. M.	43					88 65
Totals,	2 agents	73	3	\$7 50	\$4 00	\$11 50	\$184 60

MINNESOTA—TWO WEEKS ENDING NOV. 9

Eddie Grimstad	H. M.	56					67 65
Totals,	2 agent	56					\$67 65
U. C. Totals	3 agents	129	3	\$7 50	\$4 00	\$11 50	\$252 25

his scholarship by canvassing, and this year, having earned another scholarship, will go to College View.

Brother Iver Hilde, one of the old-time Minnesota canvassers, who has been in the field this summer, spent Sabbath in Minneapolis. Brother Hilde says the books can now be placed with the people with more ease than ever before.

Elder Fred Johnson, who has been working in the northern part of the state for a few weeks, passed through this city on his way to his home at Maple Plain. He reports his work in a prosperous condition.

Sister Ella E. Merickel, the conference Sabbath school secretary, has moved from Minneapolis to Mankato for the winter. Mail intended for Sister Merickel should be addressed to her at Mankato.

A Harvest Ingathering Service will be held in the Minneapolis church next Sabbath. A special program has been prepared, and it is anticipated that this will be an interesting service.

Elder H. F. Graf, who has been working with Brother Ewert at Winona for some time, called at the tract society office on Thursday enroute to the northern part of the state.

North Dakota

NOTICE

Since the present financial situation makes it impossible for our brethren and sisters to get the actual cash to send in as tithe, gifts, or in the payment of pledges, we wish to say that we will receive wheat checks and cashier's checks in payment of the same. Those who wish to pay their tithe or their pledges may send such checks to our treasurer, Mrs. A. H. Robinson, Fargo, N. D., box 285.

JOHN G. WALKER,
President of Conference.

NORTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder E. H. Huntley and wife are preparing to leave for the west to remain permanently. Sister Huntley's health makes this move advisable. This produces a still greater dearth of English laborers in North Dakota, and we are sorry to see them go.

Brother J. H. Seibel, of Bowden, has disposed of his farm machinery, stock, etc., and proposes to devote his whole time to the work. We are glad to see this, and hope others of our laborers will do likewise.

The company of Sabbath-keepers at Beach are asking for organization. Elder H. W. Reed will visit them with this purpose in view.

Elder N. M. Jorgensen reports an interest south of Towner, where he has been visiting. His brothers live at that place.

Elder J. G. Walker has just returned from a trip west of the Missouri, a journey of 280 miles by team and 240 by rail.

Elder A. O. Burrill recently spent two Sabbaths with the church at Stanley.

November 9 the enrolment at Sheyenne River Academy was about thirty.

THE General Conference has recommended that Sabbath, November 30, be devoted to a study of the Missions number of the *Signs of the Times*, and that December 1-6 be devoted by all of our people to the circulation of this excellent paper. Every church should plan to enter most heartily into the work suggested. More of this next week.

THE conferences of the Northern Union have thus far sent in orders for the number of Missions *Signs of the Times* set opposite their names.

Iowa	3,297
Minnesota	1,441
South Dakota	1,376
North Dakota	1,056
	7,170

GENERAL MEETING AT BOWDLE, S. D.

Two hundred or more of our German brethren gathered at Bowdle, November 7-10, to enter heartily into a meeting which had been appointed some weeks before. Elders Haffner, Valentine Leer and Conrad Reisinger were the German laborers. Elders John Christian, president of the conference, Dr. C. P. Farnsworth, and the writer, assisted in making the meeting helpful to the brethren and sisters who had come from the different churches.

The preaching was along lines calculated to help both young and old. A number of the young people made a start on the Sabbath to serve the Lord. A good spirit was present during the entire meeting. The meetings were as well attended in the day time as those in the evening, showing that these brethren laid aside work and gave themselves entirely to the interests of the meeting. About three hundred dollars was paid in cash, part of which had been pledged previous to the meeting, for the general work. Something like thirty or more subscriptions were taken for the *Hausfreund*, *Signs*, and the NORTHERN UNION REAPER.

At the close of the meeting plans were laid for Elder Valentine Leer, with one or two lay brethren, to go out into a German community to present the message in a new field. In a similar manner Elder Conrad Reisinger went in another direction.

The Bowdle church has three church schools the present season, as the membership of the church is scattered over a territory of some twelve or fifteen miles. Our German brethren seem to be fully awake to the various lines of aggressive and progressive work in the cause, and show especial interest in the extension of the work in the foreign fields.

Doctor Farnsworth gave an interesting account of the work at Chamberlain in connection with the labors of Elders Harter and Clark at that place. He also gave a report of the work at the sanitarium. To this date something like one hundred and fifteen patients have been received at the sanitarium since its opening about, three months and a half ago. Out of this number, eleven, or nearly one out of every ten, have accepted the truth. A most excellent spiritual condition

seems to exist among the helpers and workers at the sanitarium. God seems to be signally blessing their efforts.

A spirit of opposition to the truth has been raised in that city by some of the ministers, and a strong effort had been made, by securing an outside evangelist, to counteract the influence of the truth upon the people. However, this has seemed to fail, and Elders Harter and Clark have just begun a new series of meetings in the city with a good attendance.

The brethren in South Dakota are determined to free their conference from all debt against their school property. They hope to do this within a short time. Elder Christian gave an interesting account of the progress of the work in the state.

While South Dakota is placed in the star list of conferences, having met her proportion, according to membership, on the \$150,000 fund, she has no inclination whatever to cease donating to this fund until it shall all be raised. This is the spirit of loyalty which we find among our brethren in all parts of this union.

Personally I enjoyed the meeting with our German brethren more than I can express. Their kind, hospitable welcome to our American brethren is only one indication that this truth makes of all nations and kindreds one people, united together for one purpose, viz., to extend the last message of mercy to all the world in this generation.

R. A. UNDERWOOD.

WANTED—Man; Sabbath-keeper; to work in garden and greenhouse, by the season or year. Write at once to J. S. Jacobson, St. Peter, Minn.

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.

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686, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.

Sun sets Friday, November 22, 1907, at
4:50 P. M.

WE were much pleased to receive a good, healthy list of subscriptions to the REAPER from our German brethren in South Dakota. These subscribers were obtained at the meeting held last week at Bowdle, and were readily taken when the proper representation of the value of the Northern Union paper was made. Many of our German brethren are taking the German church papers, and it is from these periodicals they receive so much general information. However in them they do not get the union and local conference news, as it is given in the REAPER, and they thus come that far short of being informed on the progress of the work in their own territory. Even in families where the parents do not speak the English language the REAPER should go, as the children are able to read it, and the family will be benefited as a whole.

THE educational department of the General Conference is in

receipt of urgent requests from the Mission Board for two teachers to fill important church school situations in the West Indies. Although earnest search has been made for teachers to fill these calls, the educational department is yet unable to supply them. The educational secretary, Professor Frederick Griggs, will be glad to correspond with anyone who may desire to learn more about these situations. This department is continually in receipt of calls for teachers for foreign fields, and will be glad to have the names and addresses of any qualified teachers who are willing to do work in other lands.

THE next issue of the *Review and Herald* will contain the week-of-prayer readings. It is the intent that all isolated Sabbath-keepers shall be supplied with the readings, and the Mission Board, as far as addresses have been furnished them by conference secretaries, will send direct from its office to isolated believers and churches. It is suggested that those who do not receive a copy of the readings within a reasonable time send to the office of the conference tract society for the papers and donation envelopes. The readings contain much precious instruction and great benefit will be derived from giving them careful study.

BROTHER C. D. ACMOODY, a missionary, writing from Constantinople says: "Within the past few months quite a company of people from the Transcaucasus district have come to Ismidt—old Nicomedia, bringing all they possess with them. Some of them possess considerable wealth. When asked if they were going to settle in Ismidt, they replied that they would settle nowhere at present permanently. They stated that they had come to be

prepared to go with their leader [the Sultan] when he left Constantinople to go to Jerusalem."

THE editorials of the November number of *Life and Health* are especially good. They are worth more than the cost of the journal to anyone. They deal with two classes of sick people, those who think they are sick, and those who are sick; the benefits of contagious sunshine; the power of the mind as a curative agent; the influence of fear and hope; the result of counting our many blessings; the comparison of the dark side with the bright side; the evil effect of sensational reports upon the mind of the afflicted, etc.

THE Oakwood Manual Training School, at Huntsville, Ala., are now publishing a four-page paper called *Progress*, in the interest of the work for the colored people in general and of the Oakwood school in particular. The price of *Progress* is 25 cents a year, and the support of all the people is solicited.

OVER one hundred thousand copies of the Missions number of the *Signs of the Times* were sent out from the office of publication before November 1. It is being warmly received everywhere. Many of our people are distributing it, both by selling it to those who will receive it, and in sending it out as a missionary paper.

BROTHER W. L. MANFULL, general canvassing agent of the Northern Union, has been spending some time in Iowa in the interest of the canvassing work. Brother Manfull was in Des Moines last week consulting with the conference committee in regard to plans for future work.