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The School of Sorrow

I sat in the school of sorrow,
The Master was teaching there,
My eyes were dim with weeping,
And my heart was full of care.

I could not learn my lesson,
And say, "Thy will be done";
And the Master came not near me
As the weary hours rolled on.

At last in my heavy sorrow
I looked to the cross above,
And saw the Saviour looking
With a glance of tend' rest love.

He looked at the cross before me,
And I thought I heard him say,
"My child thou must learn thy lesson,
Thou must bear thy cross today."

So I stopped in my heavy sorrow;
One glance at that face divine
Had given me power to trust Him,
And say, "Thy will, not mine."

And so I learned my lesson,
Taught by the Master alone,
Which made Him my blessed Saviour,
And also made Heaven my home.

CARRIE DUCHENO.

Maritime Conference

Williamsdale Academy

Our school will soon begin another year of labor for our youth in the Maritime conference. As I have met the young people of this conference, I have been impressed with the splendid influence which the school has had upon them. The influence of the school has been felt all over the field, and the results of its work are in evidence wherever we go. I can say that those who have attended the school have great desire to return, and those who have finished the work which our school gives, regret having to leave for other schools. This is an excellent testimony for Williamsdale Academy. Williamsdale can look about and see her

students occupying places of responsibility in the cause of God, and other young people in preparation. This is as it should be. There is nothing that rejoices the hearts of parents more than to see their children trained and occupying places of usefulness in the cause of God. This is the only work that is worth while now, that time is so short, and our interests are over in the earth made new. Parents, do we wish to save our children from the destruction that is now beginning to break upon this old world? Do we feel that the expense of sending them is worth more to us now than to see our sons and our daughters saved in the kingdom after a while? We know that the school has been a great factor in helping many of our youth to decide to throw their whole life's interests in the Christian way, and in the work of God. Now, this year, is the time to send them, for who knows what another year may bring forth. Give our youth the best and greatest opportunities this year affords, then pray God to help them to make the most of them.

While holding meetings in a city some time ago, a lady gave her heart to God, and to the message to which she had been brought up. In talking with this dear soul she told me of her experience, how that when she was a young lady she had a great desire to have a place in this work, and plead with her parents to give her a training to prepare her for a Bible worker. Her parents did not think it was necessary, and in discouragement she finally drifted into the world and tasted of the pleasures and also of the bitter sorrows. Finally she found a balm for her sorrows in returning to the One who has promised to carry our sorrows and our troubles. With tears in her eyes, she promised God, that as he gave her strength, to work and labor that her little girl might have the privilege of attending our schools, and that she might have nothing to discourage her in preparing for a place in the work of her Master. How many parents will wish that they could save their children when it is too late?

GEO. H. SKINNER.

Ontario Conference

Prospective Workers

The MESSENGER has been a welcome visitor for some time to my home. We have been deeply interested in the canvassers' good reports and letters. They bring to mind the time when my wife and I were in the work in New York state about twenty-three years ago. We have a daughter and two sons, and I believe all my family have talents that should be used in the work. My wife and I have talked this over many times lately, but there seemed to be big obstacles in the way and we tried to think it was right to settle down on our farm here. We have a large place close to the Grand Trunk railway and also to a good sized village. But we are not satisfied. One night recently my wife woke up trembling and told me of a vivid dream she just had. She, with many others, was by the side of a body of water in which many people were struggling for life. She saw hands reaching out for help, and begged those who were near her on the bank to go to their rescue. But they had their own families with them and seemed entirely unconcerned about the fate of those in the water. She awoke with the words "rescue the perishing" ringing in her ears. This dream has decided us to try to dispose of our property at once in order to secure means to enable us all to enter the canvassing work. On page four you will find an account of what we have to sell, and perhaps you may know of someone who would like to secure just such a place.

I would like to get in touch with the general canvassing agent, and if possible receive a visit from him. I especially desire this because of my oldest son. Our influence does not seem to be strong enough to get him into the work, but if the right influence is brought to bear on him now he will, I feel sure, enter into it. He is energetic, strong and ambitious. We are anxious to start as soon as possible. We plan to begin work right here, then move from one town to another, renting a house in each place and boarding ourselves, so that we may go and come at any time.

We would ask the readers of this to do what they can to help us sell what we have so that we may all enter the Lord's work at this time.

W. H. COWLES.

Toronto Tent Effort

No doubt the readers are interested in the progress of the work in this field, and would be glad to hear concerning our tent effort in this city.

Previous to this effort Elder J. T. Errington had labored faithfully in this section of the city, and upon opening our work here we found quite a number willing to make further investigation of the truth.

Those associated with me this summer are Brother and Sister Gordon Smith and Miss Ruth Tenny who have rendered faithful and efficient service.

The blessing of God has been richly manifested in spite of the powers of darkness and the elements which have seemed to be against us. A severe storm struck us just as we were about to present the testing truths of the message. This greatly affected our attendance and made it almost impossible to continue our effort, it having rained every day but two the first fifteen days in August. But by earnest prayer and faithful effort we were able to revive the interest and the tide has now turned in favor of the message. Several have signified their intention to observe the Sabbath and others are in the valley of decision. Our collections thus far have amounted to over one hundred dollars which more than covers the entire expense of the effort, not including, of course, the salary of the workers. We are glad for this item of encouragement in view of the shortage of funds and the need of more workers in the field. Pray for the work in this city.

F. C. WEBSTER.

Missionary Report of Toronto Central Church for Quarter Ending June 30, 1915

Letters written.....	59
Letters received	31
Missionary visits	87
Bible readings	56
Periodicals given away	218
Periodicals sold.....	558
Traacts given away	1902
Books sold.....	61
Books lent.....	21
Meals given away	3
Articles of clothing given.....	33
Donations	\$20.00

C. A. WALLIS, Secy.

Christ and the Human Heart

On an old castle wall, says the legend, there hung a strange instrument. Its strings were broken and it was covered with dust. People went in and out and wondered at it. No one saw its use. One day a stranger came to the castle. He entered the hall where the harp, long unused, hung. Taking it down, he tenderly brushed off the dust and re-

placed the broken strings. Then as his fingers swept over it, strains of sweetest music came forth.

Those who were near stood in awe, and their hearts were touched. They asked each other, "How came this stranger to know the value of the harp?" Ah, he was the master, who had been long absent and now returned to his own.

The human heart is the most wonderful musical instrument in the world. It is far more sensitive than any harp or violin ever made by the skill of man. It can be played upon by anger or love or sorrow or joy or ambition. Envy and jealousy can extract from it fearful discords, while sympathy and mercy can touch it into music so sweet that the angels will stoop to listen. Christ is the great musician to whom the human heart belongs. He only can bring out its noblest music.—Sel.

The Present Truth Series

The following is the correct *Present Truth Series* list, giving the new topic, "The Papacy," as No. 9, and eliminating the subject, "Conversion, or the Way to Christ," given in the old list as No. 15.

1. The Bible the Word of God.
2. The Origin of sin and the Plan of Salvation.
3. A Great Prophetic Dream; or, The Kingdoms of this World and the Kingdom of God.
4. The Second Coming of Christ.
5. The Signs of Christ's coming.
6. The Millennium.
7. The Home of the Saved.
8. The Four Great Beasts of Daniel 7 and the work of Antichrist.
9. The Papacy.
10. A Great Prophetic Period—the 2300 Days.
11. The Sanctuary.
12. The Judgment and the Judgment-Hour Message.
13. The Law and the Gospel.
14. The Bible Sabbath.
15. The Change of the Sabbath.
16. The United States in Prophecy.
17. Christian Liberty.
18. The Seal of God and the Mark of the Beast.
19. The Threefold Message of Revelation 14.
20. Life only in Christ.
21. Spiritualism.
22. Spiritual Gifts.
23. Health and Temperance.
24. Support of the Gospel Ministry.
25. Synopsis of Present Truth.

"Life is not to live merely, but to live well."

The Signs An Effective Soul Winner

"In a meeting recently conducted by Ernest Lloyd, missionary secretary of the Pacific Union Conference, it was found that eight out of the audience of two hundred accepted the truth from reading the *Signs* alone."

"In another, where about one hundred sixty were present, fourteen stated that the *Signs* was the sole means of their accepting the truth."

"Will you kindly send the *Signs* weekly to the four addresses I will put on the other side, for three months? Three months' papers convinced me of the truth. I hope it may do the same for others."

"One leading family was brought into the truth years ago through the interest aroused by the reading of the *Signs*."

"I am pleased to know that the Fresno church is taking so many *Signs*, for we know that it brings good results. My niece, to whom we have been sending the paper, has begun keeping the Sabbath. She never heard one of our ministers speak, and has no neighbors or friends of our faith. She says she wishes some of our people would move into that neighborhood. Our club will expire soon, and I will do what I can to double the number for the next club."

The few experiences given above are taken from the many that might be given, and they show that already the effort has brought many souls to a knowledge of the truth.

The plan followed by the editors of the *Signs* is to present all features of the message once in six months. The present series ends with the last week in September. Now therefore is the time to renew old subscriptions, to obtain new ones, and to begin a larger work than ever before with this paper.

E. M. GRAHAM.

A Wonderful Crucifix

In working up a subscription list, a certain Catholic journal has offered to the editor of the *Protestant* magazine a special premium of a certain crucifix if he will subscribe to said journal. This crucifix, when properly blessed, will grant indulgences from all kinds of sins. You should read the reply to this offer in the August *Protestant*, it's fine.

A Catholic editor asks the editor of the *Protestant* to furnish proof wherein the Catholic church teaches un-American political doctrines. You will find the proof, full and plenty in this same issue. You miss much if you do not read the *Protestant* each month.

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W. St. John
Newfoundland: WM. C. YOUNG, Superintendent, Box 217,
St. John's

Mission Funds Statement to July 31, 1915

ONTARIO

Amount at 20 cents\$3337 49
Amount received2018 01
Shortage to date.....\$1319 48

MARITIME

Amount at 20 cents\$1411 31
Amount received.....1024 11
Shortage to date.....\$387 20

QUEBEC

Amount at 20 cents\$938 86
Amount received788 26
Shortage to date\$150 60

NEWFOUNDLAND

Amount at 20 cents\$369 49
Amount received186 16
Shortage to date\$183 33

Colporteurs' Report, Week Ending Aug. 28, 1915

Ontario

Name	Book	Hours	Value	Total	Del.
Geo Butler	GC	40	35 00	43 75	
L Chamberlain	GC	35			55 90
*J Pengelly		48	14 25	36 55	
Oscar Cardey	GC	35	134 00	145 50	
J Finch	PG	37	27 00	30 00	
J B Hayes	GC		100 00		119 00
Total		215	\$310 25	\$25 80	\$174 90

Maritime

A Kierstead	SP		7 00	7 00	7 00
C Joyce	PPF		6 00	20 50	14 50
Total			\$13 00	\$27 50	21 50
Grand Totals		215	\$323 25	\$293 30	\$196 40

Bible Values

A day's journey was twenty-three and one-fifth miles.

A Sabbath day's journey was about an English mile.

A cubit was nearly 22 inches.

A hand's breadth was three and five-eighth inches.

A shekel of silver was about 50 cents.

A shekel of gold was about \$8.

A talent of silver was \$538.30.

A talent of gold was \$13,809.

A piece of silver, or penny, was 13 cents.

A farthing was 3 cents.

A mite was less than a quarter of a cent.

An ephah, or bath, contained 7 gallons and 5 pints.

A hin was 1 gallon and 2 pints.

A firkin was about 8 gallons and 7 pints.

An omer was 6 pints.

A cab was 3 pints.—Sel.

Have you mailed your Mission Card to the Conference Treasurer?

FOR SALE—Good farm in the Parry Sound district, Northern Ontario. Consists of 222 acres, upon which is a 2-story house in fair condition. Part of the farm is in woodland and there is a ready market for the cut wood. There is a never-failing spring on the place. There are apple and plum trees. The berries are: currants, gooseberries, raspberries and several thousand strawberry plants. There are enough vegetables for an ordinary family with some to sell. Also the tools will be left. It is a good place for dairying, stock raising and fruit and vegetable growing. It will be sold at once for \$350. Of this \$250 must be paid in cash and the balance in a year. For particulars write to W. H. Cowles, Trout Creek, Ont.

Ontario's Harvest Ingathering Campaign Week September 20-24 Get Ready!

Half leather Bible Readings, good, \$1.00 postpaid.

Story of Seer of Patmos, 50 cents postpaid.

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