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"Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest."

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THE HAPPIER LIFE

FORGET the ache your own heart holds
By easing other's pain;
Forget your hungering for wealth
By seeking other's gain;
And make your life much brighter seem
By brightening the years—
For tears dry quicker in the eyes
That look for other's tears.

Heartache fades quickest from the heart
That feels another's pain.
The greed for wealth dies sooner if
We seek another's gain;
Life's sands run lightly if we fill
With kindness all the years—
And tears dry quicker in the eyes
That look for other's tears.

—Selected.

The FIELD

CENTRAL NEW ENGLAND AND THE \$300,000 FUND

NO DOUBT our readers in Central New England have by this time learned of the splendid movement on the part all our people in this country to raise a fund of \$300,000 to be used for the aggressive work in foreign lands. Considerable has been written of late concerning the details of how and for what the money is to be appropriated. We have learned that it is to be used in establishing little sanitariums, treatment rooms, printing offices, and in building suitable homes for our workers in countries where climate and conditions endanger their health and their lives, if compelled to live as the natives.

Enough has been said so that all should feel intelligent in regard to the plan, and now I am sure that every Sabbath-keeper in Massachusetts will feel that it is time for us to begin to do our part. The portion which Central New England has been asked to raise is \$5,001.60. The idea in every

conference seems to be to raise its portion within the year. I am sure that we can do this; and if all will do their part, it will not require any very great effort.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW what has been done already? I have written a number of personal letters to different brethren and sisters in the conference asking for generous donations to this fund. About twenty replies have been received thus far, and about \$700 has been pledged in response to the personal appeals.

BOSTON DISTRICT MEETING

Last Sabbath and Sunday the general meeting for the Boston district was held, and some features about it were very encouraging. During the meeting, the matter of the \$300,000 fund was presented. Elder F. C. Gilbert led out in presenting the needs of the work and in making an earnest appeal for substantial contributions. The people responded nobly, and before the meeting closed \$1,030 had been pledged, and not over one hundred were present.

Various amounts have been pledged or given from the Charlemont and Danvers churches and other sources, so that in all there has been raised about \$1,800. With this encouraging start already made, I believe that all our churches will now be ready to take hold heartily in raising their portion of this fund. While small donations are always acceptable, all can see that good substantial offerings are needed now if we are to make quick work of this matter. So let the contributions of \$100 down to \$5, etc., be sent in quickly. Pledges to be paid within the year will be gladly accepted if this would be more convenient for some.

The raising of this fund should take precedence of everything else. Will not all our churches take this matter up at once? Let the church elders and leaders find out just what each member is willing to do, and make it known to the conference treasurer at an early date.

If we get right at it, this matter will not drag, and we can rejoice together when the work is done.

H. C. HARTWELL.

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE VERMONT CONFERENCE

Held at White River Junction
January 15 and 16

THE first meeting of this special session of conference was called at 5:30 P. M., January 15. Elder W. H. Holden acted as chairman, and Brother Evans was elected secretary *pro tem*, in the absence of the Secretary. Fifteen delegates were present. The visiting brethren, Elders W. B. White, H. C. Hartwell, and O. Montgomery, were invited to take part in all proceedings the same as the regular delegates.

The following resolution was presented by Elder White:

"Whereas, It was recommended at the last session of the Atlantic Union Conference that the states of Vermont and New Hampshire unite their fields and work into one conference; therefore,—

"Resolved, That the Vermont Conference in special session assembled, cordially invite the churches of New Hampshire to unite with their body."

This resolution was carried. The names of the New Hampshire churches were then presented, and it was moved and carried that these and all isolated Sabbath-keepers of New Hampshire

be united with the other churches of the conference. The delegates representing these churches were then seated.

We will not take space to give all the proceedings of the meeting, but will give only the resolutions passed, which were as follows:—

“*Resolved*, That the name of the Vermont Conference and Tract Society be changed to “Northern New England.”

“*Resolved*, That the territory embraced in the Northern New England Conference be the states of Vermont and New Hampshire.

“*Resolved*, That from and after this conference meeting a new conference secretary’s record book be kept by the Conference Secretary recording the proceedings of the Northern New England Conference, and that the minutes of this special session of the Vermont Conference be recorded in the new record as showing the actions taken at this session authorizing this union of the two states into the Northern New England Conference.

“*Resolved*, That a new treasurer’s record be opened bearing date of Jan. 1, 1910, and that all our churches in both Vermont and New Hampshire be asked to turn their tithes, offerings, and trust funds to the Northern New England treasury, beginning at this date, and that the calendar year be our conference year.

“*Resolved*, That the Constitution and By Laws of the Vermont Conference be so amended and changed as to conform to these actions and resolutions.

“*Resolved*, That as soon as possible all stationery used in the conference office be made to conform to this new arrangement, and that as soon as may seem best to the Conference Committee the office be moved to a more central location, this body favoring some location along the Connecticut River.

“*Resolved*, That we express our regret that it seemed best that Elder Montgomery should be called from

this conference to another at this time’ but while assuring him that our prayers will follow him to his new field of labor, we extend to our present executive, Elder W. H. Holden, our confidence and love, and assure him of our hearty and loyal support.

“*Resolved*, That the Northern New England Conference express to Brother Frank Raley, our secretary and treasurer, our sympathy in his affliction, with the hope that he may soon recover his health and be able to connect with us in labor, and that the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of this resolution to Brother Raley.

“*Whereas*, At the recent General Conference held in Washington, D. C., a plan was inaugurated to raise, during the next three years, the sum of \$300,000 to provide printing facilities, schools, and homes for our missionaries in foreign fields; and,—

“*Whereas*, The amount falling to the Northern New England Conference is \$2,601.60; therefore,—

“*Resolved*, That we accept cheerfully the responsibility of raising our share of this fund, and would advise our conference officers to take up the work as soon as possible.

“*Whereas*, A plan has been inaugurated by the General Conference Council in session at College View, Nebraska, known as the “Ministry of Healing Campaign,” for the relief of the Medical Missionary Work; and,—

“*Whereas*, The number of books to be sold for the Northern New England Conference is about 1,148 copies of “Ministry of Healing” and 2,870 copies of “Life and Health,” each year for three years; therefore,—

“*We Recommend*, That all our people be urged to assist the conference in disposing of these books and papers as quickly as possible.”

The next resolution was presented by Elder White as follows:

“*Resolved*, That the By Laws of this conference be so changed and amended as to provide for seven mem-

bers of the Executive Committee instead of five.”

The two new members chosen as a part of this Committee were Alton V. Farnsworth and Herman F. Clark.

“*Whereas*, God has given clear instruction in all branches of his work through the Spirit of Prophecy,—

“*Resolved*, That we, as delegates to this conference, urge that all our conference officers and church elders own a full set of the writings of Sister E. G. White, and study them.”

W. H. HOLDEN, *President*,

A. R. EVANS, *Secretary, pro tem.*

BOSTON, MASS.

DECEMBER 1, 1909, we left Leominster for our field of labor in the city of Boston. Two months have rapidly passed away; and as we look back over the past few weeks, we are glad to be able to give you an encouraging report. The dear Lord is richly blessing the Boston and Everett churches, spiritually and in other ways. There is a real spirit of consecration taking hold of the brethren and sisters, and a striving on their part for a greater work of grace and deeper experience in the things of God. Showers of blessing are falling as a result.

The first of January the Boston church canceled its old tract society debt of \$104, and also paid other bills which amounted to about \$40; thus started the new year out of debt, singing the jubilee song of deliverance. We are endeavoring to build up the tract and missionary work in the churches. The young people’s work is taking a new start, and we expect that they will be a strong factor in the building up of the work here in Boston. We have faith to believe that our Sabbath-school will double its membership this year. There is a spirit of unity in our midst and I feel that all desire to cooperate in every way. As has been previously reported, the Boston church expects to build a house of worship this

year, and the prospect looks bright and encouraging.

Just a word in reference to our public work. For several weeks now we have been conducting an interest in Everett, which is steadily increasing and we trust that God will give us souls as the result. We are also conducting an effort in Roxbury near where the tent meetings were held last summer, and in the same hall where Elder Hartwell held the meetings a year ago. Dr. Kress, of Washington, D. C., and Elder Starr, of the sanitarium at Melrose, are assisting in this effort, and we trust that God will greatly bless the labors of these servants of his. On Wednesday afternoons in the same hall, a School of Health is being conducted. Brother Cornforth, of the sanitarium, is giving lectures in healthful cookery, and demonstrating them. Dr. Kress and nurses from the sanitarium are assisting in their meetings to make them interesting and helpful.

There are many openings for Bible readings, and the Lord is blessing Sister Wheeler who is engaged in this work. She is of good courage. Brother A. H. Adams, who is with us here, also is of good courage, and God is blessing his labors. Nearly every Sabbath he visits the West Newton church, and his reports are encouraging from that section of the field. Elder Starr reports showers of blessings falling at the Sanitarium church. Brother Palmer, our city missionary, is certainly greatly blessed of the Lord in his ministry to the poor. Pray for him, brethren and sisters, that God may give him means to help the poor people.

We have visited Leominster once since leaving, attended two meetings there, and were indeed glad to find the work so encouraging. Brother Hall and Sister Wilber find plenty to do visiting and holding Bible readings. The church school is being prospered, and is growing in numbers.

I would not forget to mention Elder

Hartwell's visits from time to time, which are always helpful and encouraging. Remember us in your prayers.

A. E. SANDERSON.

MAINE

OWING to the fact that Elder White can not be with us during the month of February, we have thought best to postpone our elders' meeting until the middle of March when he can be with us. This will give more time for our brethren throughout the state to arrange their work and lay their plans so as to attend this meeting. We will spare no pains to make this an occasion of special help and blessing to each one. We sincerely trust there will be a good attendance, as this will be taken up. Begin now, brethren and sisters, to get ready to be there.

On account of the death of our dear Brother Giles, I have not been able to leave Portland this week. I had intended to visit some of the churches in other parts of the conference, but have found it necessary to pick up the loose ends here as they fell from his hands. We are hoping that the General Conference will give us a good, strong man of experience in city work, who can take hold of the work here. Certainly we need help just at this time. It has seemed best to ask Brother Grant to remain in Portland for a little and devote his time to Bible work; visiting those who are interested and following up by house to house labor the interest here; thus holding things together until we can secure permanent help. He will also act as leader of the church. I am sure the Portland church will appreciate this, and will give to Brother Grant their hearty support and help.

I am planning to leave Portland this week, if all is well. I will meet with the Shawmut church Sabbath and Sunday February 12 and 13, Skowhegan 19, 20, and Richmond 26-27. I trust that all our people living near these places will note the appointments and meet with the

church nearest them at this time. I am looking forward with pleasure to meeting and becoming acquainted with you all. Let us pray earnestly that the dear Lord may richly bless these meetings.

O. MONTGOMERY.

FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST ITALIAN CHURCH

Brooklyn, N. Y.

I AM glad to say to the GLEANER readers that during the year 1909 ten precious souls came out from the great Babylonian multitude of Greater New York, and embraced the cross of Christ. On Sunday, Jan. 16, 1910, after a spiritual talk to the congregation gathered, four souls were baptized in the German Seventh-day Adventist church of Brooklyn. When I think that four years ago in the United States of America there was only one Seventh-day Adventist member, my heart rejoices at the progress made, and the fact that we now have an organized church of twenty-four members, besides fourteen others who have been transferred. Some are gone to other cities of the States, and others to their own lands, proclaiming the truth to those whom they meet. I think the Lord has made New York City a place for training men of all nationalities to give the truth to their own. We give the Lord thanks for this special blessing to my people.

I hope the brethren of this country will be able to understand the difficulty we have to contend with in giving this truth to this people. Here in this country, we have a working class of people who come to make money, and are not of the religious and church-going class, but are very superstitious and ignorant. Many of them come from the mountains, and do not know how to read or write. They think that the Protestants are all devils, therefore they persecute us constantly. Many of them do not even go in the Roman Church, but have great confidence in the priests and love them.

In giving the third angel's message to the Italians of this great City, one needs a large experience as many of them speak in different dialects. Our church needs today above all things a strong, consecrated lady missionary who would be as valuable as two ministers. In Greater New York, where there are more than 800,000 Italians, the work demands more attention and help. Imagine our not having a hall where we can gather the people to speak to them in the borough of Manhattan! We also do not have enough literature. We need some more little things to help in the good work, such as a stereopticon and some charts. Any one upon whom the Lord has laid a burden to help in this needy field can send his donation to Brother L. W. Graham, 32 Union Square, East.

We are waiting for the soon coming Saviour, and before he comes this gospel of the kingdom must be preached to all the world for a witness. The Italians are included, therefore the truth must go among this people. The people are poor but faithful. Shall we deny them the spiritual bread? Let it not be so. The Lord gave men riches to distribute. There are Italians in every city of the States by the thousands, and also in South America. There are millions in Southern Italy and the island of Sicily from which the undersigned came, who do not know the Saviour to the pardoning of their sins, who have never had the privilege that you and I have had and are awaiting the loud cry of the mighty Angel. Where are the Italian missionaries for these fields? I thank God for a small part in this great cause.

Last August, I opened a Bible class in the church; and have had four young men and three young women in constant attendance, besides others who come at intervals. One of the four young men was a Roman Catholic priest in Italy, and has been a local preacher for over a year in the Baptist

Church. He and the others are quite willing to consecrate themselves to the Lord's work, but they do not know the English language and are unable to canvass among the Italians to support themselves, so that they are still working for the world. Pray that the Lord may open the way for these young people to enter the field. God is rich, and able and willing to keep his promises to all his faithful children.

We are of good courage, and feel sure that with His help and the aid of the Holy Spirit, the work will prosper in our hands. I pray the Lord to make me strong, and fervent in his love. Remember the great Italian field in your prayers.

R. CALDERONE,
689 De Kalb Ave.,
Brooklyn, N. Y.

CORINTH, VERMONT

JANUARY 17, in company with Brother Hermon Clark, I visited the home of his brother, Homer Clark, and held an evening meeting with a few of the scattered believers in this locality. As no labor had been bestowed here for a long time, there seemed to be an earnest desire that something be done. Accordingly, I began meetings in the South Corinth school house January 28.

From the first a good spirit has prevailed, and a few seem interested to learn more of the Lord's ways. Some cases of interest may be reported later. I wish the prayers of the GLEANER family for the work here.

H. J. FARMAN.

OBITUARY NOTICES

STOBIE.—Died at her home in Buffalo, N. Y., Mrs. Susan V. Stobie, aged 58 years. Some thirty-five years ago Mrs. Stobie with her husband accepted the third angel's message, and for a long time they were faithful followers of our dear Lord. The time came when they grew somewhat indifferent to the message; but a year ago last fall, when we had a camp-meeting in Buffalo, Mrs. Stobie came to the meetings, and her interest was

again aroused in the truth for this time. She decided to be true to God, and for a time came regularly to the meetings; but in February, 1909, she caught a hard cold, and it was found that she had contracted that dreaded disease, tuberculosis. She grew weaker day by day, and finally gave up the struggle for life on Tuesday morning, Jan. 11, 1910. She leaves a husband, two sons, and one daughter to mourn their loss. Before she died, she had the sweet assurance that God had forgiven her sins, and that she was accepted in the Beloved. Funeral services were conducted by the writer.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

LONG.—Died of heart failure at Hornell, N. Y., Jan. 14, 1910, Sister Lucy M. Long, in the fifty-eighth year of her age. Through the efforts of Sister Lula Wightman, she accepted the truths held by our people some five years ago, and has so lived that all who knew her felt assured that her life was a beautiful example of childlike faith and obedience. Her last words were exhortations to virtue and faithfulness in the lives of those who ministered to her. She leaves one son, Brother Walter E. Johnson, and three daughters, who mourn, but not without hope. The funeral services were conducted at our meeting hall at Corning on Sunday, after which we followed her to Bath, where we laid her to rest by the side of her husband till Jesus comes.

H. W. CARR.

MALLORY.—Died of old age at Alfred, N. Y., Jan. 6, 1910, Sister Cordelia Witter Mallory, aged 83 years. She was married to Brother E. G. Witter in 1849, and for many years they were associated with the church at Wellsville, N. Y. She gave evidence in her last days of remaining faithful to the end. She leaves three children, Sister Elva Brownbecker, of Buffalo, Erma Burdick, of Alfred, and F. J. Witter, of Wellsville, to continue her life's work. The remains were brought to Wellsville, and after the funeral services at the little church, we laid her to rest by the side of the husband of her youth, awaiting the Life-giver.

H. W. CARR.

MOULTROP.—Mary Ann Moulthrop, wife of W. S. Moulthrop, was born at Athens, Vt., July 10, 1842, and died at Windham, Vt., Jan. 16, 1910. In early life she was converted and united with the Methodist church. About twenty-five years ago her attention was called to the Sabbath and kindred truths, which she and her family embraced. Sept. 24, 1894, she with her husband united with the Seventh-day Adventist church at Windham, of which she remained a faithful member until her death. Her home was always open for the gatherings of the saints,

SUMMARY OF FUNDS RECEIVED BY THE SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND CONFERENCE DURING THE YEAR 1909

Name of Churches	No. Mem.	No. Pay. Tithe	Tithe	Weekly Offer'g	S. S. Dona.	Annual Offer'g	Harvest Ingath.	Midsum. Offer'g	Rel. Liberty	Emer. Fund	Bldg. Fund	*Miscel.	Total
East Canaan,	19	6	\$ 367.92	\$	\$18.54	\$ 6.00	\$17.95	\$20.71	\$ 3.75	\$53.00	\$ 5.00	\$15.80	\$ 508.67
Hartford,	52	25	1,295.05	56.25	37.60	137.00	95.23	6.77	10.99	69.85	14.00	50.77	1,773.51
Hebron,	14	7	108.61	4.69	16.88	4.37	6.85	2.60	3.10	4.00		1.85	152.95
New Haven,	53	29	1,135.05	84.42	58.71	20.50	116.50	29.00	12.55	46.53	2.25	58.82	1,563.79
New London,	32	12	160.43	35.69	24.46			7.00	7.50	21.00		11.08	267.16
Norwich,	20	9	227.16	8.83	13.89		3.65	17.00	2.18	21.50		7.79	302.00
Willimantic,	41	19	393.29	29.80	33.89	7.15	3.65	10.20	10.40	44.00	8.00	19.75	560.13
Middletown,	17	9	184.58		12.77	1.15	4.44		.70	1.25		2.00	206.89
Hartford (Swed.),	19	10	428.43	25.17	31.59	12.45		3.20	2.50	5.00	15.00	1.70	525.04
Bridgeport,	35	25	851.10	41.39	53.07	20.50	37.64	25.30	16.85	10.00	1.70	29.65	1,087.20
Green Hill,	10	5	82.95			6.00	10.00	6.00	8.00				113.15
Greenwood,	13	5	138.00	33.30	33.88	11.50	28.42	16.55	6.25	7.00	1.00	12.50	288.40
Niantic,	18	9	211.86	6.81	8.35		23.40		1.15	21.70		6.36	279.63
Pawtucket,	32	19	681.20	79.48	67.59	23.62	103.20	17.03	9.41	34.26	4.00	7.01	1,026.78
Peacedale,	28	11	221.54	33.94	27.61		5.76	9.50	13.80	51.00		17.79	380.94
Providence,	46	20	693.40	31.65	48.55	11.30	37.48	2.17	4.30	12.75		4.49	846.09
Slocum,	24	15	512.24	58.85	22.34	41.57	79.93	17.00	5.00	32.50		28.76	798.19
Westerly,	14	6	266.10	10.30	45.28	5.00	5.91	6.75	1.93	31.40	3.55	1.00	377.22
Woonsocket (French),	12	6	50.14		6.53				.50			2.57	59.74
Torrington company,	8		73.74	4.60	19.67	2.00	1.10	.30	3.75	4.70		4.11	113.97
Waterbury company,			152.50	10.60	2.99			5.00		10.00	5.00	2.65	188.74
Meriden company,			125.00										125.00
Individuals,			244.54	1.63	54.71	11.00	52.90	2.10	12.76	163.22		57.75	600.61
Totals,	507	247	\$8,604.83	\$557.38	\$638.36	\$321.11	\$634.21	\$204.18	\$137.37	\$644.66	\$59.50	\$344.20	\$12,145.80
Totals for 1908,			7,994.94	400.38	576.76	288.39	511.58	102.92	114.58	282.87	548.95	274.58	11,095.95
Gain,			\$609.89	\$157.00	\$61.60	\$32.72	\$122.63	\$101.26	\$22.79	\$361.79	\$489.45	\$69.62	\$1,049.85

W. E. FORTUNE, Treasurer.

* Miscellaneous includes such offerings as Aged and Orphans, Canvassers' Fund, Educational, South Lancaster Academy, New England Sanitarium, General Missionary, and Southern Field.

† Loss. Number of members and number paying tithe are given as reported by the church clerks.

and there was a warm welcome for those of like precious faith. It was the writer's privilege to have a good visit with her only a few days before her death, and she showed much interest in present truth. While she had been feeble for some time, her last illness, caused by pneumonia, was very short, only about thirty-six hours. Almost her last words were, "He giveth his loved ones rest." She leaves a feeble husband, one son, a sister, and several grandchildren to mourn her loss. We expect that with the faithful she will enter the city of God to share the rich reward. S. A. HOLDEN.

WILCOX.—Fell asleep, at Washington, N. H., Jan. 11, 1910, after a brief illness, our beloved brother, John Y. Wilcox. Brother Wilcox was born at Cromwell, Conn., Jan. 7, 1834, and lived in Connecticut until eleven years ago, when he came to Washington, N. H. He gave his heart to the Lord when very young. Often did he witness to his conversion as the result of his mother's prayers. He became connected with the message when fourteen years of age. The following, written by him, taken

from "Rise and Progress of Seventh-day Adventists," tells something of his early experience: "I was brought into the truth at the time meetings were held in the unfinished chamber of Brother A. Belden's house, Rocky Hill, Conn. My receiving the light of present truth was under the labors of Brother and Sister White. I was baptized soon after by Brother White. But for the encouragement and strength I received from them, I do not know as I should ever have dared to think or feel that I was accepted of the Lord. They were deeply interested for me, and labored to help me." In his last sickness, caused by pneumonia, he manifested great patience and resignation to God, without a murmur or complaint, but in his unconscious wanderings, would talk of the saving of souls in different places, would repeat portions of Scripture, and even attempt to sing. And to those that cared for him the feeling came home, "Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his." Num. 23:10. These words formed the basis of words of comfort spoken by Elder F. W. Stray. In the death of Brother Wilcox the church loses a faithful

member, the family a devoted husband and father; but they sorrow not as others who have no hope. E. G. FARNSWORTH.

SPECIAL NOTICE

CIRCUMSTANCES of the passed week have revealed the fact that it would be convenient for the Rhode Island brethren to know how to reach me quickly.

My address is 52 Hancock St., Pawtucket, R. I. By calling 256-R Pawtucket over the telephone, you can reach me in that way. This telephone is my landlord's who lives in the same house, and he voluntarily granted us the use of it—a kindness which is greatly appreciated.

W. R. ANDREWS.

TO FEEL this present-day truth "burn all through our souls," as one sister expressed it recently, is the key note to missionary work.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND

SINCE the conference at White River Junction, I have visited Concord, Dover, Hillsboro, Keene, and South Lancaster.

At Dover, Brother Piper is doing a good work with "Story of Daniel." In several days' canvassing with him, many were met who had previously bought "Seer of Patmos" of him and were glad to get the companion volume.

Brother Kirtland is having good experiences in Hillsboro, selling "Great Controversy," "Story of Daniel," and "Seer of Patmos." While canvassing in Greenfield in the fall, he sold "Great Controversy" to a lady living in Concord. This I delivered for him, finding her anxious to get the book and read its precious truths.

A short stop at Melrose, found Brother Raley gaining nicely. He expects soon to return to his work.

At South Lancaster, a much larger number of students than in previous years are planning to spend the summer canvassing, and return next year with scholarships.

Brother Arthur Bailey is in Concord preparing to enter the field as a permanent canvasser. He will sell "Practical Guide to Health."

Sabbath services were enjoyed at Dover, Concord, and Keene. At each place are earnest workers who are faithfully upholding the torch-light of truth.

At Concord, some are attending the meetings regularly and manifest a deep interest in the truths presented.

At Keene, Brother Bee is kept busy giving Bible studies nearly every evening. Others are active in various lines of missionary work. The church-school is prospering and growing under the able work of Sister

Chamberlin. The present attendance is thirteen. Sister Pendleton has recently moved there from Newburyport, Mass., and placed two children in the school.

A. R. EVANS.

BROTHER A. W. BOARDMAN, of Wolcott, made us a call at the office one day last week.

We are glad to report that Brother Raley is much improved in health, and will doubtless be able soon to take up his work in the office.

Elder Holden is now holding a series of meetings in North Hyde Park with a good interest. The regular attendance is from seventy to one hundred.

Brother Evans sends in encouraging reports of the canvassing work in New Hampshire. He thinks the prospects are good for getting a number of canvassers into the field the coming season.

As a result of the statements sent out at the close of the year, many have been settling their accounts with the Tract Society, and we hope others will do likewise. There are still a number of accounts that are unpaid.

We hope all our subscribers to the GLEANER will remember to pay their subscriptions. Up to the present time, but very few have paid for the paper for the coming year. Please show your appreciation of its weekly visits by sending in the money for it as soon as possible. Send your subscriptions to the Northern New England Tract Society.

SADIE HOLDEN.

We are told that this work is "second only to that of the ministry."

Sister Giles expects to go to New York very soon to make her future home with her parents. The sympathy and prayers of this conference will go with her. She will leave many friends in this State.

Elder Edwards writes that he is watching the reports from our conference with a great deal of interest. We believe that the seed sown by him last summer will yet spring up and bear much fruit.

The appeal in behalf of the GLEANER subscriptions is being very kindly received in the conference. One sister paid for her paper two years in advance, sent a donation to the fund, and said: "I can do without my bread and butter much better than I can without that paper."

Our aged sister,—Mrs. John Darling—of Aroostook County, desires to be remembered in the prayers of God's people as she is quite ill. It is good to know that our God hears the prayers of his people, although it may not always be his will to give instantaneous healing.

A correspondent from another State writes: "Two of our girls had been wanting to come to the church school, but their father not being a Sabbath-keeper, said 'No.' After a time the public schools began to compel them to take dancing lessons twice a week, I believe, and that changed the father's mind so that both girls are now in the church school."

ELIZA H. MORTON.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND

ELDER EDWARDS was called away Friday to attend the funeral of Sister Charles Smith. He planned to be with the Norwich church in the forenoon Sabbath and at the New London church in the afternoon.

Where are the canvassers? Southern New England has no report from

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OWING to the death of Elder Giles, Elder Montgomery has not been able to get away from Portland as he had planned to do.

We are glad to hear that a number in the conference are planning to take up the canvassing work very soon.

them this week. Brother Chas. Dyer has faithfully stood alone for some time, but has recently been called to work in Florida during the rest of the winter.

Sister Margaret Weir, who has been doing stenographic work and otherwise assisting in the office, has completed her work, returning to her home in New York City February 3. She was accompanied by her sister, Lela, who has been staying with her. It is needless to say that they will be greatly missed in the Sabbath-school, the young people's society, and in the church, as well as in the office.

We would especially call the attention of our brethren and sisters to the summary report in another column of funds received by your treasurer during the year ending Dec. 31, 1909. We do not give this for comparison of what each church has done, but that each church may know just what they have been doing, and may study the report with the object in view of keeping up the nice gain that is shown by comparing the totals for the year 1908 with those of 1909. Here at the office we call it a very encouraging report, and worthy of careful study.

One of our sisters, who does not have the privilege of attending Sabbath services regularly, in sending one dollar to renew her subscription to the GLEANER says that she "appreciates the paper very much and could not well do without it." We are looking for others to show their appreciation in a like substantial manner. Judging by the reports received thus far from the churches, the indications are that the special donation of Sabbath, January 25, will not be large enough to meet the present indebtedness on the GLEANER fund. If you did not have an opportunity to donate, you may hand it to your church treasurer or send direct to this office.

Sister Clara Ellis, in sending two subscriptions for the *Review and Her-*

ald, says of the work in New Haven: "Our work in New Haven is very encouraging indeed. I am busy as can be every hour of the day, although I am not giving as many Bible readings at present as formerly because I gave all of my best readers over to Elder Stevens; and it certainly was pleasing to me to find that they were all interested enough to come out night after night to hear him regardless of weather. Am doing considerable house-to-house work with our literature, and in this way I find many honest souls who are longing for something better. If they are able to come out, I invite them to Brother Stevens' Bible readings; if not, I go to their homes and give them readings myself. Brother Stevens is at present giving

three evening readings at different homes and in different parts of the city, and all of these meetings are well attended. Between fifty and sixty are showing a strong interest, and I feel sure that we are going to reap a rich harvest for the Master." She requests that the work in New Haven be remembered at the throne of grace.

W. E. FORTUNE.

FOR SALE.—Twenty acres for cash. Fine land, subject to irrigation, in a healthful climate in the Rio Grande Valley, Texas. All kinds of fruit grown in Southern California, can be grown there. Vegetables can be grown almost any month in the year.

Write G. W. BOWERS,
South Lancaster, Mass.

THE BOOK WORK

Central New England, week ending Jan. 28, 1910

Name	Place	Book	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Del'd
H. T. Cross, Lynn,		S of P	5	35	15	15.50	39.80	55.30	28.80
*A. H. Adams, Jr., Mattapan,		Misc	9	61			82.25	82.25	13.50
W. E. Gerald, Bridgewater,		Misc	5	40			48.00	48.00	50.50
Totals,	3 Agents,		19	136	15	\$15.50	\$170.05	\$185.55	\$92.80

*Two weeks.

Maine, week ending Jan. 28, 1910

Geo. Skaling, Portland,		B F	1	1	2	2.50		2.50	1.35
Totals,	1 Agent,		1	1	2	\$2.50		\$2.50	\$1.35

Northern New England, week ending Jan. 28, 1910

H. M. Kirtland, Hillsboro,		G C	4	23	1	2.75	6.70	9.45	2.35
D. A. Piper, Dover, N. H.,		S of D	5	20	13	16.75	1.90	18.65	6.90
Totals,	2 Agents,		9	43	14	\$19.50	\$8.60	\$28.10	\$9.25

New York, week ending Jan. 28, 1910

J. H. Deeley, Amsterdam,		G C	5	29	5	16.00		16.00	
E. E. Covey, Thurman,		G C	3	21	8	24.60		24.60	
Mrs. K. Ramsey, Albany,		C K			12	17.00		17.00	
Totals,	3 Agents,		8	50	25	\$57.60		\$57.60	

Western New York, week ending Jan. 28, 1910

A. L. Griffis, Lockport,		C K	4½	36	31	42.50	2.40	44.90	
D. P. Evans, Wellsville,		G C	5	34	6	19.50	7.40	26.90	
*Mr. & Mrs. F. A. Evans, Buffalo, S P			8	49	15	17.75	3.50	21.25	0.85
Totals,	4 Agents,		17½	119	52	\$79.75	\$13.30	\$93.05	\$9.85

Two weeks

A. U. C. Totals, Jan. 28.	Days	Hrs	Ords	Value	Helps	Total	Deliver'd
13 Agents,	54½	349	108	\$174.85	\$191.95	\$366.80	\$113.25
Totals for corresp. week last year,							
12 Agents,	24	291½	75	\$189.00	\$81.55	\$270.55	\$75.95

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NOTICE

SABBATH, February 26, has been appointed by the General Conference Committee as Missionary Volunteer Day. All our churches throughout the United States and Canada are invited to give this day to the consideration of the missionary volunteer work. Suggestive programs, with helps, have been sent to all church elders. Plan for this meeting at once, and let all who take part in the program make thorough preparation.

The salvation of our youth will depend largely upon their own efforts for others. What are we doing to cooperate with God in helping our young people to prepare to do the work for

which God has chosen them? Upon every church a divine hand lays the responsibility of doing her utmost to enlist and train her young men and women in Christian service.

Upon the appointed day let us look back to see what God has done for and through our youth. Let us unitedly pray that greater success may attend the young people's work, and let us renew our determination to care for the lambs of the flock.

"Give us our work! Thus do we often pray,
And, reaching for the stars, go on our way,
While just beneath our feet fair jewels lie
That in our haste, unheeding, we pass by."

MISSIONARY VOLUNTEER DEP'T.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY ITEMS

"RELIGIOUS liberty is the free right of adopting and enjoying opinions on religious subjects, and of worshiping the Supreme Being according to the dictates of conscience, without external control."—*Webster*.

Two Sunday bills were introduced in the New York State Legislature the first week, and Brother A. J. Clark, who is laboring at Albany, writes: "From what I hear, I fear that we are going to have a great deal of work this year, for I understand that all that were not successful last year are going to make an attempt again this year to put their bills through. I know of about five more bills that are surely going to be introduced, and two of them are bills that we must put forth a lot of effort against."

In the GLEANER of January 26 there appeared an article by K. C. Russell, entitled "Do Petitions Count?" Did you all read it? Have you any petitions to send in? Do you know to whom you should send them? If you do not, let me suggest that you buy the "1910 World Almanac and Encyclopedia." It will cost twenty-five cents, and can be bought at any good news stand. It contains all the names and addresses of the men in both the National and

State Legislatures. It also has in it the Constitution of the United States. On page three of the white leaves is the "General Index" which will aid you in finding the many good things in the Almanac.

January 26 the Johnston Sunday Bill for the third time came up before the United States Senate for action, and the following day the bill was passed. Concerning the passage of this measure Elder Colcord says: "After the rather rough hour-and-a-half's handling which the Johnston Sunday Bill received in the Senate on January 26, only thirteen minutes were occupied in its consideration and passage the following day, the vote being taken at 2:22 P. M. When the vote was called, only one audible 'aye' was heard in its favor, and no 'nays,' whereupon the president of the Senate declared, 'The ayes have it.'" For further particulars and discussion of the bill by the Senators, see *Review and Herald*, Feb. 3, 1910.

T. B. WESTBROOK.

NOTICE

AFTER Feb. 1, 1910, all mail relating to the work of the Union Conference auditor or treasurer should be addressed to C. L. Kilgore, South Lancaster, Mass., and all mail for the GLEANER or relating to the work of the Union Conference secretary should be addressed to Miss Pearl Rees, South Lancaster, Mass. If all who are in correspondence with the Union Conference office, will carefully note these changes, it will save confusion in the mails and many unnecessary delays.

W. B. WHITE,
President A. U. Conference.

WANTED.—A middle-aged woman to do house work on a farm in Hudson Centre, N. H. Not Adventists, but willing to grant Sabbath privileges.

W. D. STALKER,
Hudson Centre, N. H.