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"As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger."

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THE "MESSENGER."

The MESSENGER is the only paper published in Canada by the Seventh-Day Adventists, and although it is a very small paper, very much smaller than our large denominational papers, the *Review*, and the *Signs*, yet it is a representative paper, published by the Canadian Union Conference, and intended to represent all parts of that Conference, as well as all departments of the Message which it represents, so far as it is possible to do so in the limited space of the paper.

Now in view of these facts it would seem that loyalty to the cause which the MESSENGER represents, would suggest that every Seventh-Day Adventist in the Canadian Union Conference should be a subscriber to the MESSENGER. But as a matter of fact many of the Sabbath-keepers in this Union Conference are not subscribers, and some do not even know that such a paper is in existence. This ought not to be so. Every minister and every other laborer in the conference ought to be a regular subscriber to the paper, as well as a regular contributor. More than this, they should consider it a duty to secure subscriptions to the paper in every church, and to see to it that those whose subscriptions have expired, are renewed. This is a matter which should receive attention every time a company is visited.

The paper is published at a loss, and this will continue to be so if the subscription list is not maintained; but the facts are that the subscription list is constantly falling off. Subscribers permit their subscriptions to expire without renewing, and as a consequence they suffer loss by failing to receive the paper, and in addition

they entail a loss of time and money upon the publishers.

We are sending this number to many whose subscriptions have expired and to others who are not subscribers, for the purpose of securing their co-operation, in increasing the subscription list if possible, and we would be pleased if every reader of these lines would constitute himself a committee of one to help in this work. Think it over as to when you subscribed last, and if you are in doubt about the time sit right down now while you are thinking about it and write a letter ordering the paper, enclosing thirty-five cents which is the subscription price for one year. Do it now. If your subscription has not yet expired you will be credited with a year's subscription from the time when it does expire.

We desire to make the paper one of interest to everybody in all parts of the Union Conference during the coming year, and this can be done when we have the loyal co-operation of all the friends in all parts of the field.

Send all subscriptions to the editor, Lorne Park, Ont., but do not send Post Office Money Orders on Lorne Park. Send them on Port Credit.

TO CANADIANS IN THE UNITED STATES.

If you are in Canada you need not read this, but in case you *do* read it please note the conclusion. There are many Canadians in the United States and we wish to speak a word to them. Montreal is the largest city in the Dominion of Canada and we have long felt the need of a place of worship in that city. For

some time we have been gradually gathering funds with the view of building house of worship, and finally the undertaking was begun. A corner lot was purchased in the Annex, a desirable location, and the building has been erected. Building material is high and it has cost considerable more to put up this house of worship than was anticipated when it was begun. The lot and building when completed will probably cost \$4,500. We had to make a loan of a part of this amount in order to finish the building, and it will be quite a burden to carry unless considerable assistance comes in from abroad. The church is nearly finished and when completed will be a good, respectable, comfortable house of worship, and a great blessing to the work in Montreal. The dedication will take place January 31st, 1909.

We have reason to believe that all Canadians in the United States are interested in the upbuilding of the work in Montreal, the metropolis of Canada, and that all would deem it a privilege to send a dedication offering and thus have a part in the work in that great city.

We therefore invite you to send an offering to be listed and read at the dedicatory service and thus assist in paying for this much needed house of worship. Now, if you who live in Canada have read this we shall consider this, and you may consider this, an invitation to you too for an offering at the time of the dedication. It will be well to send your offering as soon as possible after receiving this invitation so the money will be received before the day of the dedication, that we may be able to give in the report the full amount received. Please send your offerings to the conference treasurer, Mr. Darwin Dingman South Bolton, Que., Canada.

We hope to hear from you all before January 31, and we would be pleased to have you attend the dedication. There will be services in the church on Sabbath, January 30, and the dedicatory address

will be given the 31st.

Don't forget the date, don't forget to send your offering, and don't forget to come to the meeting if possible.

W. H. THURSTON.

THE REAL SECRET.

Do we really believe that the Lord has given "to every one" a special part in His work? One of the easiest ways for the large majority of people to get to work and the quickest way of reaching the masses with the truth, is by the sale of our missionary periodicals.

Some feel timid about taking hold of this work because they think their efforts will not be appreciated. Let each take courage. The best part about this work when we come to know the truth of it, is that people want the message our periodicals contain. Many may be slow to show their real desire, and yet be waiting for the message.

The January number of the *Watchman* will be in magazine form, and will contain forty-eight pages besides appropriate cover. It will take up the United States in Prophecy, with special reference to developments in the church federation movement. The editor personally attended the recent federation meeting in Philadelphia, and has carefully written up a summary of its proceedings. This, also what the Bible says about the movement, will be in this issue. Who will help to get this number of the *Watchman* into the hands of the people?

The monthly *Watchman* retails at ten cents, and will be supplied to agents as follows:

5-24 copies, each	5 cents
25-499 " "	4 "
500-1000 " "	3½ "

A slightly lower rate will be made on still larger orders. A neat badge will be sent, if requested, to any one ordering fifty or more copies. Orders should be accompanied with cash unless other arrangements have been made.

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LORNEDALE ACADEMY.

JUST before the holiday vacation we sent out copies of an announcement of Lornedale Academy to the MESSENGER readers in Ontario, and as we have a few copies still on hand we will be glad to receive names of others who may be interested in it.

The fourth school month will close January 19, and with the beginning of the fifth month, and second half year, we wish we might welcome several new students.

If you have been unable to come for the first of the year, come now, and enjoy the rest of the year with us.

The students now here are showing an excellent interest in their work, but there are many others throughout the field who ought to be here.

Sabbath, December 26 I visited the church at Galt, and we have the promise of two students from there at an early date.

At Guelph are some young sisters who very much wish to join us, but who cannot do so this year.

Reports from other schools tell of good increase in attendance, and this indicates that our young people everywhere are pressing into the work. Let those in this field keep pace with the others.

By means of the scholarship plan now adopted by nearly all of our schools, in connection with the Publishing department, any energetic young person can go to school if the desire is strong enough.

Last year the attendance in our training schools was more than ever before, and the number of laborers sent to foreign fields was also the greatest in the history of the message.

Let us take courage and press on for the end is nearly in sight.

H. T. CURTIS.

THE PROMPT FORWARDING OF FUNDS.

I DESIRE to call the attention of all church and conference officers to the matter of promptly remitting the funds which have come into their hands intended for our mission fields. At this time of year we stand in great need of this money in order that our brethren in destitute fields may not be left without proper support. We would therefore be pleased and our workers greatly assisted, if all our church treasurers would send at once to the treasurer of their conference the amounts which they may have received on the Thanksgiving Ingathering, the week of prayer offering, or any other contributions intended for our mission fields. Then the conference treasurer will render excellent service to those in need of these funds by promptly forwarding to this office all money which should come here. Will the brethren concerned please attend to this matter without delay?

A. G. DANIELLS,
Pres. General Conference.

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LINDSAY CHURCH MISSIONARY REPORT, LAST QUARTER 1908.

Church members	17
Letters written	7
Bible Readings held	16
" conversations	56
Health "	15
Subscriptions to periodicals	10
Periodicals distributed	108
" sold	20
Pages of Tracts	609
Visits	31
Hours Christian help work	25
Free treatments	54
Hours free nursing	40
Books loaned	9
Needy poor	\$1.00
Three baskets Christmas cheer, six parcels Christmas cheer, two quarts fruit, three to five Christmas cakes, six bottles grape juice.	Mrs. A. E. HENDERSON.

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MISSION NOTES.

THE first of October, J. F. Olmstead, in charge of Union College, South Africa, baptized seven of the students, ranging in age from sixteen to thirty-five. Ten or twelve more expected to soon go forward in this ordinance. This good experience came to them as a result of their week of prayer services, held there at a different season of the year than in this country.

THE new printing office at Colon, Central Zone, is progressing nicely, and will soon be ready for the occupancy of the *Caribbean Watchman*, published in Eng-

lish for the West Indian Union Conference field, also *El Centinela de la verdad*, the Spanish paper for this same field. This latter periodical has been published in Porto Rico, but will be removed to Colon, and Elder B. E. Connerly and wife will connect with work in Colon, to continue to carry on the paper.

ELDER Joel C. Rogers writes that they have so far completed their new school and church building as to be able to use it, holding their first service in it August 1. They were waiting for the glass for the windows to arrive from London, hoping thus to get the windows and doors in before the rains should set in. About twenty more were expected to be ready to go forward in baptism in December. God is greatly blessing the work of the last message in the region where the pioneer missionary Livingstone yielded up his life in behalf of the gospel.

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"LIFE AND HEALTH."

The January number of *Life and Health* comes to our table with improved appearance and increased size.—sixty-four pages filled with timely instruction for the preservation of health during the winter months. The valuable improvements make this magazine an easy seller. The publishers have very generously decided to give the agents the full benefit of the expensive improvements, continuing to furnish the magazine in quantity for selling at the same prices as before, four cents a copy when 25 are ordered at a time.

Report of Canvassing Work for December, 1908.

Place.	Book	Hours	Orders	Value	Value Miscellaneous	Orders	Delivered
Quebec							
A. E. Taylor, Montreal,	H. of M	69	30	\$61.50	\$8.20		\$61.80
A. M. Taylor, Gatineau,	G. C.	60	6	16.50	9.75		63.50
New Brunswick							
John Taylor, Moncton	C. K.	23	15	22.50	4.10		2.60
Ontario							
W. S. Wilson, Brantford,	G. C.	30			2.75		18.50
Almond Bristol, Chatham,	C. K.				16.50		24.6
Total		1182	51	\$100.50	\$41.30		\$171.05