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Before me, even as behind,
God is, and all is well.

John Greenleaf Whittier

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"OUR BIBLE"

"When the days are dark, men need light. When times are hard, men need comfort. When the outlook is discouraging, men need its confidences. When despair is abroad, men need its word of hope."

So writes Doctor Robert E. Speer of the Word of God.

Luxuries may be spared, some necessities may be curtailed, but the Bible, always indispensable, is especially so in times like the present. It is a book of living principles: "its spirit is the spirit of brotherliness and good will" and helpfulness, as Paul's words, "Bear ye one another's burdens," indicate. "It is a summons also to self-rejecting inquirer to the Book in the admonition, "Let every man bear his own burden." Doctor Speer's message is one we all can take to heart. Pointing out that the Bible teaches justice as well as charity and that the strong owe the duties of giving and serving to the weak, he declares "but it also strikes straight and clear at the moral defects in individuals who are responsible for a large part of the poverty and suffering of the world, and also at the moral and economic defects in society, in business relations, and in the distribution of the common resources of the world, which are responsible for the remaining part."

Such words should be earnestly considered and heeded. We have social as well as individual responsibilities. The Bible should be read and studied, and mind and body, the Bible telling the story of Christ, "only hope of individuals and of society." If the Bible should be read and obeyed by all, there would be "the end of hard times, of poverty, of unemployment, of injustice, of wrong, of war."

We need to come back to the Bible. So long has it been looked upon as a matter of course and of faith, it has often been forgotten or neglected. The time was when even a page or a transcript of some chapter was the most highly prized possession of its owner and was carefully kept and pored over. There were times in the history of the development of Christianity when men were hunted to death for reading the Bible. Those were the days when its pages and precepts were prized. Luke speaks in most commendatory terms of the Bereans and characterizes their nobility by saying they searched the Scriptures daily.

In order to promote the use of the Scriptures, for many years the first week of December has been set apart as a universal Bible week. Many of our own people have been benefited as they have observed it. "We believe some of the most precious special sermons on the Bible on the Sabbath preceding "Universal Bible Sunday."

The American Bible Society sends out, as usual, illuminating and encouraging helps. The society's general secretary, George Wm. Brown, says:

It is the conviction of the American Bible Society that for the present distressing world situation the messages of Scripture have a significance never previously paralleled. Today apathetic leaders need the stirring, stinging challenges of the prophets of the eighth century, which illumine every page of Holy Writ. Today all sorts and conditions of men need the steady, stirring and stimulating words of Jesus found on the pages of the New Testament.

Our pastors doubtless have received "Searching the Scriptures" the message of Dr. Charles E. Jefferson—sent to more than eighty thousand pastors of America. It contains material and inspiration for strong pulpit utterances for any people, and the SABBATH RECORDER hopes the ministering servants of the churches will avail themselves of it. Here is a fair sample of the spirit and content of the message.

The time has come for us to take up again the Old Book. We need religion, a new vision of
Walking With God

"And Enoch walked with God, and was not, for God took him" —a brief obituary but revealing. It reveals Enoch's character, which may be more than some epitaphs and obituaries do.

No doubt he had his own worries and misgivings, his own problems and burdens. But he walked with God. It was not a walk "by sight," but a walk in faith.

A little girl, learning about Enoch, is reported as telling the story to a younger member of her family. Enoch, she said, used to take long walks with God because he loved him. One day he went farther than usual and was awfully tired. So God said, "Come in with me, Enoch, and stay, and Enoch told His interpretation.

A walk with God is the most satisfactory journey we can make—so satisfactory on the way and at the end. Washington Gladden more than a half century ago penned these words that we find in all of our best hymnals today. May they be echoed in all our hearts in our desire and purpose to walk with God.

Words of the hymn follow:

**LET ME WALK WITH THEE**

O Master, let me walk with thee In lowly paths of service free; That I may come where he is And be the man he was in his.

Help me to slow my heart to move By some clear, winning word of love; Teach me to step upon the path That leads by me to God's heart.

And guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience; still with thee In closer, dearer company.

In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, In peace that only thou canst give,

I know not what words the hymn concludes with, but its message is clear. The words of the hymn follow:

"Thou Visitest Him"
The story is told of Queen Victoria, when at her home in Scotland, she was accustomed to go out, unaccompanied, to visit among the cottagers. One day she found an old man bed-ridden and alone, who told her his folks were all out. She entreated him to get a glimpse of the queen. Without disclosing her identity, she visited awhile, and read a portion of the Word which she loved.

After a long pleasant chat she left, pressing into his hand a five pound note with the words, "When your people come back, tell them that if they have been to see the queen, the queen will pay this bill for you.

If anyone is tempted to feel that he is alone, deserted by men, let him remember it may be the very opportunity awaited by the Lord to call upon him. "Whoever be and mother forsakes me, then the Lord will take me up."
In order to render satisfactory stewardship one should have a budget of some kind. It doubtless is simpler to budget in the case of stated and regular salary or income. Yet a farmer can work out a budget. It is fundamental to budget and essential to make it work. One of the sins of some Americans is the mania for living beyond their means. A little uncertainty of this bad habit would be overcome by a determination to stay within specified amounts for certain items and to avoid a superabundance of items. There would be a much greater source of information and perhaps education to some to make an enlarged diagram of a dollar and designate what part goes for this item and what for that. Stewardship involves budgeting, and a budget worked out is a Christian virtue.

According to a chart published by the American Educational Digest we spend our personal, state, and national income as follows: church, 34 per cent.; schools, 15 per cent.; government, 45 per cent.; crime, 3 per cent.; investment, 11 per cent.; waste, 14 per cent.; luxuries, 22 per cent.; living costs, 25 per cent.; miscellaneous, 13, 15 per cent.

It appears from this set of figures that, generally speaking, the last end of the family income is used for the promotion of the kingdom of heaven. Not so, however. When the last end is used there is usually nothing. The figures represent definitely reserved amounts, many of which are tithes. One dollar out of each ten dollars received or net income ought to be an amount taken out before other items are provided for, thus making sure the sharing of the financial burden of the kingdom task. The practice of tithing may be simpler for persons of a farmer or a merchant can work a budget. The practice of tithing may be simpler for persons served amounts, many of which are tithes.

The services Sabbath morning followed the usual order — Sabbath school at ten o’clock, preaching service at eleven, when Mr. Bond preached a short sermon to boys and girls.

Milton Van Horn offered the following prayer:

Our Father, we thank thee for this opportunity of meeting in thy house. May we feel thy presence very near us in this service. We thank thee for the opening words and for the influence and faith of our preacher. A man of God, be a blessing to all who come into this house and just outside the door. This service was brought to a close by a brief inspirational address by Doctor Bond.

This was followed by a social carried out very successfully in keeping with Halloween, using the cemetery as a background. The song text, "Footprints in the Garden," was sung and we were dismissed with the "Prayer Song." Dinner was again served in the basement to thirty-four people. At one-thirty conference was again resumed. We discussed, "What to you is the best thing about this conference?" An activity hour was taken by all in answering this question.

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Sabbath evening at six-thirty the young people gathered for vespers services. Miss Jackson, who has been a consecrated and enthusiastic Christian Endeavor worker for many years, conducted the services in a very successful manner. While the subject was intended primarily for the teen-age, she adjusted it to all ages. She used three gardens spoken of in the Bible, drawing lessons from each. One was the "Gar­den of Eden" and "Just Outside the Door." This service was brought to a close by a brief inspirational address by Doctor Bond.

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THE CO-OPERATION OF THE LOCAL CHURCH WITH THE DENOMINATION

(Address delivered by Pastor Edgar D. Van Horn before the Semi-Annual Meeting of Western Association, at Hebron, Pa., November 7, 1931.)

"Go ye and make disciples of all nations." This is the great commission of our Lord to His Church. It is great from many view points — great in the personality of the Giver, by the occasion upon which it was uttered, in the task which it proposes, by the power which it produces, by the people which it includes, and the movement which it inaugurates.

These words have lost nothing of their significance with the passing of time. They are just as binding on the Church today as they were to those disciples on the hills of Galilee two thousand years ago. There are great elemental truths in them. The first is that the Church of Jesus Christ is to be a missionary Church, for the missionary spirit is nothing less than the response in the heart of every loving and faithful disciple of Jesus to carry the good news of his redeeming love to every other person in the world, to get men if possible to respond to this good news and take Jesus as Lord, and then observe as far as possible all the things he has commanded them.

The second truth is that the Church of Jesus Christ is to be an evangelistic Church. Its task is to make disciples of all nations. And this task presents a program that is at once inspiring and burdensome. Through the ministry of the pulpit, personal effort, teaching, and the influence of good example we are to carry on this divinely appointed task until every tongue shall confess and every knee shall bow to Jesus as Lord. And when the Church ceases its efforts along this line and turns its attention to other things, then it is out of line with its Lord and Master. And this we must keep in mind also, that no matter what other ideas and movements may spring up, offering inspiration to men, there is only one name given under heaven or among men whereby they must be saved.

In varying degrees this has always been the achievement of our missions. They have moved us out of line with our Lord and movements may spring up, offering in-
in the early missionary movement; of John James of England, who at the hands of the wicked tyrant, Charles II, became a martyr for truth and freedom; of those early pioneers of the missionary faith, who braved the hardships of the wilderness, planted churches, schools, and the Sabbath truth and understanding, when her hand was engaged in evangelistic work in Westerly, and she came on from Chicago to be with him for a while, bringing with her the baby daughter, Beatrice, whose stay on earth was so brief. This must have been about thirty-eight years ago. We had them as guests in our home for a few days, and thus began an acquaintance which was interrupted at the time but which ripened into friendship when Doctor Randolph became pastor in Milton.

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WOMAN'S WORK

MRS. ALBERTA DAVIS BATSON
Contributing Editor

GOD'S STRENGTH AND POWER

This title, I realize, is too big and all-including to be handled in any adequate way in this short paper, but it is the center around which I wish to base a few thoughts. Recently I wrote on the beauties of God's nature as revealed especially in the autumn season and best of all in a mountain section. Today my thoughts turn to God's all-powerful hand which, if we put ourselves into the right attitude and have the proper desire, will lead us to do great things. We find in Philippians 4:13 God's power words, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

All our many inventions and discoveries are nothing new—they are merely man putting into operation the wonderful things God has given to us to use if we but search for them. Man, of course, puts together these things and makes something useful out of them. But it is, after all, God working through man that brings these things about. "Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable." Psalm 145:3.

We have so many things in this wonderful age to make us more and more realize the greatness of God. God is making more and more things now than ever before. To me it seems that we are inclined to give man too much credit for these wonderful things and put God in the background.

Recently, with my father and mother, I spent a week-end at my brother's home in Plainfield and had the privilege, and I really count it a privilege, to stand beside the great airship, the Akron, as it rested in the mammoth hangar in Lakehurst, N. J. The hangar that day also contained the Los Angeles, and a comparison of the two dirigibles there in the hangar could easily be made. As we approached the field, we discovered that we were not the only ones who wished to take advantage of this opportunity. It was a magnificent fall Sunday and there were literally acres of cars parked on the grounds around that hangar. Many, many marines were there whose sole business it was to assist in parking the cars in some orderly fashion.

That seething mob of people, passing to and fro around those two dirigibles, looked in comparison with them like so many bugs constantly on the move. It would be utterly impossible to tell one who had not seen the Akron just how small he would feel in its presence. Several airplanes of normal size were "which "were"caused to fly by dirigible air, and the difference in the size was so great that I, for one, and I imagine many others did the same thing, had to ask if those planes were actually the ordinary size plane. Of course there were in evidence, too, some of the planes which the Akron carries in it, which were not quite so large as some of the other planes that were there that day. But I could not help but feel that awkwardness of God's mighty power and strength as I viewed that enormous bird of the air. Of course man's hand is powerful and much practiced, put that dirigible together—but it was nothing new, nothing different to God—only a collecting and putting together of his gifts to man in a little different, little bigger way than ever before. The possibilities had been ours for years and years.

And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us who believe, according to the working of his mighty power? Ephesians 1:19.

"With him is wisdom and strength, he hath counsel and understanding." Job 12:13.

"The way of the Lord is strength to the upright; but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity." Proverbs 10:29.

"Then these thoughts which much could God accomplish if he would put ourselves wholly into his hands. Sometimes, no doubt many times too often, we give a small part but use the larger part for our own selfish gains. How much, I repeat, could be accomplished if we would give ourselves unreservedly into his power!""I am not at all, sir, worried about and praying over. God knows what is best for us and in the end, with ourselves wholly in his hands, we will reap the reward abundant. God has promised it to all his children.

WORSHIP PROGRAM FOR DECEMBER

SUBJECT: THE HOME

Much energy is being used in attempting to find and proclaim the solution to the problems which our young people meet. What is the matter? What caused it? What is to be done? We are told that the church does not provide proper training for the child. This is probably true, but—

Our schools are charged with not giving proper attention to the morals of the pupils, and this is probably true, but—Likewise many other suggestions are made, but—

After all what is back of the church, the school, and all the various agencies upon which we depend for training children? The home—that institution designed for the care and training of the child in its most impressionable period, established, maintained, and loved by a godly father and a none-the-less godly mother—blessed heritage for any child, whether rich or poor in this world's goods.


INTERESTING ACTIVITIES

The Woman's Evangelistic society of the First Alfred Church is preparing a new plan for its monthly meetings. Twelve ladies have been made responsible for the programs, one lady for each month. So far the plan has worked very satisfactorily. For November a Thanksgiving program was put on by Mrs. Earl P. Saunders, at her home. The following original poem was furnished by Minnie Thomas Beckwith for the occasion:

THANKSGIVING 1931

For all the blessings which we have from day to day
We thank thee, Lord.
For skies so blue and fleecy clouds just tinged with the photo of the sun,
For sunsets beautiful to behold,
For trees and shrubs and every living thing,
Our praises and our thanks to thee we bring.
For the moonlight on the lake, too beautiful to last
We still can see it in our minds, a memory of the
For flowers so beautiful to see and fruit all ripe upon the tree—
We thank thee, Lord.
For ripened grain and golden corn, for sunshine in the early morn,
For love and watch care through the night,
And eyes to see the morning light—
We thank thee, Lord.
For health and strength to do the common task
We know that thou wilt help us if we ask.
But more than this, dear Lord, for friends and
For friends and fellowmen we give thee thanks.
They help to brighten all our days throughout the year.
So may we show thy wondrous love to all our fellow men.
Accept our praise and gratitude as we in turn help them.
And as Thanksgiving day draws near and we count our blessings over,
The bright days far exceed the dark, and we thank thee more and more.
So may we show thy love to all others as thou livest the beauty of thy holiness.
As we begin another year, we'll trust thee, Lord, and have no fear.
Remembering thou hast surely said, "Trust in the Lord and do good and verily thou shalt be fed."—Minnie Beckwith.

For the December meeting a Christmas program will be given by Mrs. Ada E. Main. School children will take part and it will be given at the church between five and six o'clock and the church will be lighted by candles. The entertainment will be called a Christmas matinée.

We are very glad to welcome Mrs. Ray Polan to membership in the society. On many occasions Mrs. Polan felt it necessary to resign, and Mrs. Polan was immediately pressed into service by electing her our new secretary.

Our society makes a Thanksgiving offering each year. This year we have so far raised $30, which we consider a fairly good amount, considering the depression.

CORRESPONDENT

THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION HOLDS SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

Friday evening, November 6, at Hebron, Pa., the semi-annual meeting of the Western Association began. Rev. Alva L. Davis, pastor of the Little Genese Church, gave the sermon. He emphasized the needs of our special efforts as Christians to maintain better home life, which can be done only as
love has full sway. In our church life we must not be defeated by sin. In our individual life we must not be defeated by the powers of evil. There is great help from God.

Sabbath morning a regular church program was followed. The anthem was given by the Little Genesee choir. Special music was given by Miss Mary Kenyon of Shinglehouse. The sermon was given by Rev. A. Clyde Ehret, pastor at Alfred. His subject was, "The Good and the Evil Heart." He said that we can only be what we are at heart. We cannot live a double life. The children met in the parish house with Mrs. Walter L. Greene in charge.

The ladies of Hebron served the dinner efficiently. The families who came helped by bringing some things. There was an abundance of good things to eat and the dinner hour was a time of good social cheer.

The first part of the afternoon program was given by the young people. The program was arranged by Miss Elizabeth Ormsby. The general subject was "Youth's Responsibility." The first point under the subject was "Youth's Responsibility in Promoting World Peace," given by Miss Ruth Kenyon of Alfred. The next was "Youth's Responsibility in Supporting the Eighteenth Amendment," given by Wayne Crandall of Independence. "Youth's Responsibility in Practicing the Golden Rule in all Relationships," was given by Bernice Bliss of Little Genesee. "Overcoming Race Prejudices" was given by Newell Babcock of Niles.

At the close of this part of the program Fred Palmer of Alfred Station sang a solo, which was greatly enjoyed.

The next part of the program was three addresses. Neall Mills of Alfred spoke on "Religion for Rural Communities." Rev. Edgar D. Van Horn, pastor at Alfred Station, spoke on "Local Church With the Denomination." Rev. Walter L. Greene, pastor at Andover and Independence, spoke on "Why Missions." The attendance was good.

Doctor Strong was very practical about college life. He held that every teacher should be a real, practical Christian, because it is the character of the man more than the message to the hearts of the students than his words can speak. He held that the Word of God is the greatest classic and most worthy of the attention of all students, in college or out of school. Of course it would follow that church history is the most important of the world's history. Of course his thought "on these points may well be taken as sound teaching for all men, young or old, especially for young minds that go to college and look for future, professional services. Christian ethics stand for highest morality and highest aim. If a Christian college would be to get the students along as servants of Christ. Without such accomplishment in the character of the student, no matter how good the animal that can do the more harm in the world because training of mind without the high Christian motives has given him more personal force for evil. That is the great call for Christian force in colleges.

At Alfred there were also studies in the original languages of the Bible to give the young minister a deeper understanding of the Bible writers. Bible study and Church history were the leading subjects, but there were included by Dr. Strong the general conditions of individuality and opportunity should give the student greater faith and freedom in service of an acquired standing with our leading minds. Of course his standing with the Lord must be yet of far more weight. The great Apostle could stand before kings with the greater force because of his scholarship. The solid Christian faith can go far for righteousness without scholarship. But we are considering the public servant in the highest calling known to this world, and it calls for the highest training that may be available.

Let the faithful student, looking to the ministry as a profession, go to Alfred if he can. If he can not, it is the test of his faith and personality, for surely, they have the Bible and Church history in Alfred as elsewhere. We have reason also for loyalty to our form of Christian faith. A loyal Sabbath keeper might be expected at Alfred.

Let me suggest one more very important thought in practice. It has been said of a certain great Christian statesman that upon occasion, he knew how to smile and keep his tongue. Any student who cannot do that may not find satisfaction in Alfred or elsewhere, and may be mistaking his calling.

THE MEWGIE CISTERN

About fifty years ago an uncle and an aunt of mine moved out onto what was known as the Mewgie place. The place was delightful. At the back of it was a beautiful, winding blue river. Oak trees surrounded the house. The road from the gate to the front door was covered by a wide, high, scuppernong grape arbor.

An outstanding feature of the Mewgie place was its water. Good water in that section at that time was hard to get. But the Mewgie place had a big, fine cistern deep in the ground. The water brought up by a pump, was clear, sparkling, cool, and sweet.

My uncle and aunt had not lived on the Mewgie place very long before they became ill. Members of the family who went there to nurse them also became ill. Two of them died—my grandmother and a beautiful, unmarried aunt. Later other members of the family visiting at the Mewgie place became ill.

One course of events someone came to the conclusion that it was about time to empty the cistern and give it a cleaning.

When the cistern was opened, a gruesome sight was revealed. Floating on the surface of the water were numerous decaying corpses of toads, rats, and snakes. Then it was discovered that the overflow-pipe, concealed among vines, had rusted away, permitting vermin of all sorts to get into the cistern, from which they could not escape.

No wonder the greater the man whom had drunk the water had become ill. Yet, in spite of the deadly corruption it contained, the water from that cistern was clear, sparkling, and appeared thoroughly wholesome.

There are persons like the Mewgie cistern. Their minds sparkle, their ideas seem clear, their characters appear wholesome; yet they are corrupt, permeated with poison. Their influence is subtly pernicious, destructive. They carry death to those with whom they come into contact. They breed and disseminate evil. Because they are delightful and appear worthy they are the more dangerous.

We should always look below the surface in judging our fellow creatures. It is dangerous to take them at their face value. We should take off the cover and peer within. In the case of the cistern the process is simple and quick; but in the case of the human character it may be slow and difficult.

Always to have perfect trust in our fellow creatures is a beautiful idea; but sometimes it is dangerous to our health, our personal happiness, and our well being. We should not be so trusting of our fellow creatures that we are not watchful and control the perfect trust in the Mewgie cistern.

—Wickes Wamboldt, in Westerly Sun
YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

REV. CLIFFORD A. BREEBE
Contributing Editor
NADY, ARK.

MAKING CHRISTMAS CHRISTIAN

Christian Endeavor Topic for Sabbath Day, December 25

What do we know about Christmas? Christmas is derived from the Greek "Christos," meaning "Messiah," and the Latin "Christus," meaning "Messiah," indicating the birth of Jesus Christ. In the Christian Church, Christmas commemorates the birth of Jesus, which occurred on December 25. The date was chosen by the early church to coincide with the pagan festival of the winter solstice, which was believed to mark the return of the sun. Over time, the Christian Church adopted the date to honor the birth of Jesus Christ.

What in the world is Christmas? Christmas is a time for celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. It is a time of joy, love, and giving. Christmas is celebrated by different customs and traditions around the world, such as decorating Christmas trees, giving gifts, attending church services, and enjoying family meals. These customs and traditions reflect the themes of love, generosity, and kindness associated with the Christmas story.

Christmas is a time for giving. What is the recipient gaining? The recipient of a gift receives a tangible item that can be enjoyed or used. However, the real gift is the expression of love and care that went into selecting and giving the gift. Christmas is a time to share love and kindness with others, and the recipient's gain is the joy and warmth of receiving a gift.

Christmas is a time for giving. Do you think Christmas cards are overdone, anyway? A Christmas card is a way to express love, gratitude, and appreciation to someone. While it is true that some people may find Christmas cards to be overdone, the main purpose of a Christmas card is to convey a personal message of love and goodwill.
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Birds’ Christmas Carol” on the evening of December 23. Van Dyke’s “The Other Wise Man” on December 30. The evening of December 23 was Christmas morning the story as found in the second chapter of the gospel according to Matthew, or in the first two chapters of Luke’s Gospel.

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**QUIET HOUR THOUGHTS**

BY LYLE CRANDALL

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YE OLDE UNION STRAY RIDE!

BY BETTY CRANDALL

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up by Miss Mina Duty, of Lumber- port, a senior at West Virginia University. The definite date for the evening of December 23, was held last Thursday night, when a few general problems were discussed. The need of more social activities about the campus was recognized, and plans are being made by the two associations to bring them about.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE

GOOD THINGS IN OUR COUNTRY

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Junior Christian Endeavor Topic for Sabbath, November 26, 1933

By Mrs. Nettie Crandall
Jr. Christian Endeavor Superintendent

When Katherine Lee Bates traveled across the continent she was so greatly impressed with the beauty of its "spacious skies," and its "amber waves of grain," that she wrote the hymn. America the Beautiful. I am sure you want to follow the singing and study of this beautiful hymn by the flag salute.

Not long ago we celebrated a day that will never be forgotten, that of Armistice day. The following is from an American Baptist publication:

"If you never want the peoples who have come to our country to rebel against our government, then the greatest service you can do your country is to put yourself in their places and try to understand their struggles, and learn to admire all the things that are good.

For memory work learn Matthew 7: 12.

TOM FINDS A WAY TO HELP

"Thirty-eight different languages are spoken among the foreign people who have come to our shores, and more than three million of them speak not a word of English," said Tom's teacher.

"I know one I can help to speak English," thought Tom. "It's Sing Lee, the little five-year-old son of our laundryman." Acting on the thought, Tom sought out the laundryman, who gladly gave his consent. Little Sing Lee's love for Tom grew as the lessons continued, and he made such real effort to learn that his progress was amazing. In one year he had learned to read simple English words in a primer, to count in English up to twelve, and to sing "Jesus Loves Me." But best of all he has learned to love the United States and its flag through the boy who has proved his friend and helper.

Close the meeting by all giving the salute to the Christian flag and the Mizpah benediction.

OUR LETTER EXCHANGE

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I thought I would write for the Children's Page because it has been so long since I have written. We have some pigs now. Some are red and some red with white spots on them. We have some little kittens; they are funny and nice.

I have a little sister who is in the first grade this year. She is almost six. I am in the fifth grade and I will be eleven the twelfth of January.

Yours sincerely,

George S. Maxson, Jr.

November 11, 1931.

Dear George:

It surely has been a long time since you have written. I do hope you will not wait so long again, for I am always pleased to get your letters.

Pigs are not quite as satisfactory pets as kittens, are they? But they are interesting fellows after all. I had a little pet pig once upon a time, that grew to be a very large pig. One day I got upon his back and tried to ride him. That didn't suit his fancy one bit; so he ran a few steps and then threw me into the worst mud puddle he could find. You may be sure I never tried that trick again.

Please tell your little sister that I will be very glad when she is old enough to write to me. It will not be long now that she has started in school.

Sincerely your friend,

Mizpah S. Greene

Dear Mrs. Greene:

I like to read the Children's Page in the Sabbath Recorder. I hope you get letters for your page every week.

We are practicing songs for Christmas now.

Your true friend,

Edith M. Davis

November 12, 1931.
my class pin in the water and never found it again.
You are the age of my daughter Eleanor, who was fourteen on March eleventh. When is your birthday? Are you like her, taller and larger than your mother?
Your baby sister is certainly far ahead of any animal pet and one of his most wonderful gifts. Of course you are proud of those dear brothers of yours, too.
Your grandfather has a good memory to remember where Mr. Greene and I met. Tell him I hope I can see him at Conference next August, which is once more in Adams Center.
I am glad you told all about yourself and family, and wish all the children would do the same.
Your sincere friend,
MIZPAH S. GREENE.

ORDINATION AT BEREAL E, W. VA.

On Sabbath afternoon, November 7, at Berea, W. Va., was convened the council called for the ordination of Pastor Ary T. Bottoms. The council was called to order by Rev. George B. Shaw, chairman of the ordination committee of the association, and after the reading of the church action, in which the Ritchie Church had called for the ordination of Pastor Bottoms, Mr. Shaw was elected moderator and Harley D. Bond clerk.

On motion by L. D. Lowther the following who were present were invited to sit in the council: Rev. Verney A. Wilson, Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, Brother Elisha Maxson, and Brother S. Orlando Davis. After prayer by Mr. Davis, followed by a song by a male quartet from Salem College, the meeting was opened by the council to lead in the examination of the candidate. Following this, it was voted that the examination was satisfactory and that the council proceed with the ordination, during which the following prayer was said:

Rev. Verney A. Wilson delivered the ordination sermon, taking as a text part of the second verse of the thirteenth chapter of Acts, and as a subject, "God's Call to Man."

The consecrating prayer was made by Rev. Erlo E. Sutton, who was joined in the laying on of hands by the following: Rev. Eli F. Loofboro, Rev. George B. Shaw, Rev. Emmett H. Bottoms and Rev. Verney A. Wilson.

Rev. E. H. Bottoms delivered the charge to the church, President S. O. Bond to the candidate, and Rev. Eli F. Loofboro welcomed the candidate into the Christian ministry.

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Ary T. Bottoms.

The following regularly appointed delegates were in attendance:

Middle Island
Pastor Emmett H. Bottoms, Deacon Roy F. Randolph, Deacon S. Brady Sutton.

Ritchie
Deacon Francis M. Sutton, Deacon Elva Maxson.

Lost Creek
Pastor Eli F. Loofboro, Deacon Stephen G. Kennedy, Deacon S. Erlow Davis, President S. Orestes Bond.

Roanoke
Pastor Eli F. Loofboro, Mr. Oris O. Stutler, Mrs. Oris O. Stutler.

Salem
Pastor George B. Shaw, Deacon Flavious J. Ehret, Lucian D. Lowther, A. G. Thurman Brissney, Earnest R. Sutton.

Harley D. Bond, Clerk.

REV. ARY THOMAS BOTTOMS
(Biographical)

Ary Thomas Bottoms, whose ordination to the ministry took place at Berea, W. Va., on November 7, was born forty-three years ago in the state of Georgia. When his father, Thomas Bottoms, began keeping the Sabbath he removed with his family to Alabama, because the laws of Georgia made it a crime to work on Sunday.

Shortly after this the Missionary Society sent Rev. J. L. Leath to Alabama. Ary Bottoms was among those baptized by Elder Leath. "Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt find it after many days."

Another Bottoms is a graduate of Jacksonville State Teachers' College, and has taught school for twenty years. He has also farmed for most of this time. He married Jewell Mason, a granddaughter of Deacon Willard Mason, who was one of the members of the little Seventh Day Baptist church organized so long ago in Cullinan County, Ala. This church was called "Bottoms Bottoms." The family now consists of Mr. and Mrs. Bottoms and seven children, five daughters and two sons.

GEORGE B. SHAW.

CHANGING EMPHASIS IN BIBLE SCHOOL TEACHING
BY PROFESSOR J. FREDERICK WHITFORD
(Conference Address)

The eyes of the world in direful need are focused today upon Russia, beholding the spectacle of Europe's most populous nation attempting to abolish God; and they are going about it with a considerable degree of ingenuity, using those efficacious methods—destruction and education.

In contrast, a glance at America brings the less spectacular view of the new world's most populous nation setting the pace to enthroned God in the hearts and lives of her people by means of a renaissance in religious instruction.

I have no fear concerning Russia's outcome in her attempts to abolish God—that has been tried in all ages and climes since the human race was in its infancy and the efforts, especially in our own denomination, to place God first in the hearts of our people in this modern, machine age, seem to be falling far short of our anticipations.

The best we can say is that the vital movement is getting under momentum. Throughout our land greater strides have been made in education and in improving the teaching in our religious schools during the past ten years than during the previous years of our existence as a denomination.

A brief resume of the results achieved will not be irrelevant since they have a direct relation to the changing emphasis in Bible school teaching.

Prior to 1905, Bible school teaching was confined (in our Protestant evangelical churches) to the Sabbath and Sunday schools. In 1905 the Church school idea began to be advanced on a regional basis. Bible conventions and definite steps for a future program of more efficient and effective Bible study and teaching were outlined.

Aporpos of the changing emphasis in Bible school teaching, a survey of our best schools shows a trend decidedly away from the old time textural (paragraph analysis) and from the geographical and memorial emphases—to an adaptation of the psychological and pedagogical methods of the best public schools, adding the spiritual and religious emphases and center-
the different ages and epochs through which pupils pass, and often such teachers bring about different results.

Bruce Barton, (famous author and son of a minister) had just such a teacher when he reached the pre-teen age in life and the near-disastrous effect upon him was re­corded in his famous book, "A Man Nobody Knows." In this splendid narrative of the Chris­tian, Barton tells of his boyhood teacher and his orders and reactions. Permit me to quote briefly from this thrilling arrangement of the untrained teacher:

The little boy sat bolt upright in a wooden chair in Sunday School, but his mind was very busy. This was his weekly hour of revolt. The kindly lady (teacher) would have been surprised if she had known what was going on in the little boy's mind. "You must love Jesus," she said every Sunday, "and God!"

The little boy didn't say anything. He was almost afraid that something might happen to him, because of the things he thought.

"Love God?" who was always picking on people for having good time and sending little boys to hell because they couldn't do better in the world. What kind of a world did he live in? Why didn't God take someone else's size?"

"Love Jesus," the teacher looked up to the wall where a picture of Jesus was hung. It showed a pale young man with flabby arms and a sad expression. The young man had red whiskers!

The little boy looked across to the other wall. There was Daniel standing off the lions! The little boy looked at Daniel. He liked David, too, with his trusty sling that landed a stone in the head of a giant. Daniel couldn't be anything but brave. The "Lamb of God." The little boy didn't know what that meant, but it sounded like "Mary's little lamb"—something for girls —"and everything has confirmed my belief in a mind behind developing the pur­pose of life."

The little boy was glad when the superin­tendent thumped the bell and announced the closing hymn. For one more week the little boy had got rid of Jesus.

Barton then proceeds to build up a con­cept of Jesus from the New Testament nar­ratives and from reason that the little boy and people generally should be proud to defend their faith.

Our youth are frequently deterred from active participation in Christian work be­cause of erroneous and inadequate concep­tions of Jesus, of God, and of Christian liv­ing.

When our young people go to college and partake of the advanced learning, they often wonder if the old concepts are well founded. They become scientifically minded and sometimes cease to be spiritually mind­ed. There is no conflict between true science and true religion.

Science has been of very material aid to the writer in his religious experiences and in his adjustments to the spiritual environ­ment in a materialistic age. Science is not infallible. Scientists are in the midst of, what seems to be a near revolution in their great field of investigation and conclusions. Many scientists feel that scientific findings have been presented to the think­ing public since the days of Copernicus and Galileo than have come in our day.

All this means much to Bible school leaders and teachers who are wondering what the future will be. Man's po­sition in the universe and his future possi­bilities are in the billions. Our race, in human history have so many of our basal ideas required such rapid and radical recon­struction as in recent years.

Dr. James Jeans summed up the whole situation in the scientific world today when recently he said: "Astronomy and chem­istry have joined forces; space and time are becoming one. The indestructible atom has been dissolved into a miniature solar system and this into an indefinable system of wave harmonics. One element having been added to another. That is, there are two laws in the universe which we talk without hesitation about the continuous destruction and creation of matter. The human race has been given an expectation of life extending to millions of years in the future."

Whither all this will lead us, I do not know. I do know that science makes no attempt to eliminate God from the opera­tion of the universe.

The encouraging sign of the times is that the great scientists and astronomers of to­day are believers in God. Such names of Dr. G. Link, Dr. Annunzio, Dr. Layzer, and Frost are household words. Despite the necessity they found of revolving some of their cherished theories and hypotheses, they have all remained true to their science and true to God—humbly acknowledging that the divine Creator is behind the workings of nature every­where in the universe.

Just last month the Associated Press and the great daily papers in America gave fea­ture stories on the front pages to a little social event up at Lake Geneva, Wis. Some three thousand astronomers came to the great Yerkes Observ­atory in honor of the sixty-fifth birthday of the famous blind director of that great astronomical in­stitution. For a day there were song, gav­el­land, murder, divorce, and crime a second place, and the headlines directly or indi­rectly referred to God! Our own Olean Recorder follows this up on the front page: "MIND AND PURPOSE BE­HIND NATURE," and every American Press story told the world the conclusions of this great man regarding God's out­puts.

The following positive pronouncements are taken from the newspaper accounts:

"Everything that we learn from the observa­tions in the study of astronomy seems to me to point precisely and always to­ward the divinity of the universe. I cannot imagine the planets getting together and de­ciding under what law they were to go. Nor do we find anywhere in the solar or stellar systems the debris that would necessarily accumulate if the universe had been operating at random. In a purposeful creation I find it must be a mind behind developing the pur­pose. I have learned much in my life, and everything has confirmed my belief in a spirit behind the universe."

Testimony like that from such an author makes it clear that in the study of astronomy, like Haldeman-Julius evaporate like fog in the face of a godly sun! As a finite being I cannot conceive adequately the infinite. "God is a spirit." "Man has a spirit." "God is in man." But what of it? Reason, alone, fails us. Nev­ertheless, the idea of Jesus, the idea of God, they are re­fusing against the "utterly small voice" concept of God.

Rev. E. D. Van Horn at the ordination
service for Harley Sutton said, "We cannot find God in the laboratory; if we could, the world would soon be looking for another God."

"We cannot prove God as we prove a theorem in analytical geometry. We cannot construct a satisfactory definition of God. President Burdick cannot do it. The pope of Rome cannot do it. Even the man who has an intelligence quotient of one hundred eighty cannot.

Neither can we adequately define electricity. But, we can see and feel and bless the indispensible evidences of the power and help we receive from both. If men accept electricity, how can any thinking person reject God, who, though an invisible, inaudible, intangible God in marble. Without visual aids or historic data it is not strange that many people give little or no thought to our Creator and Ruler.

Pupils in Bible classes I have tried to teach have attempted to build up a more satisfying concept of the Almighty and have been much interested in associating God with celestial procedures. All felt that they could imagine God controlling our safety through a marvelous precision in celestial mechanisms that guards us as we travel through space at incomprehensible velocities.

They had never heard that our earth in traveling through space does this in safety despite the freezing ocean of ether all about it, and that always our sun travels with us protecting us by furnishing temperatures regulated to suit our feeble strength and needs. They were interested in figuring the various velocities of the earth, and readily saw that if the earth's circumference is 25,000 miles and it makes one complete rotation on its axis in 24 hours, we are right now "hurrying" at an average velocity of nearly 1,000 miles per hour. (Pretty fast compared with the fifty-mile per hour automobile speed some think dangerous.) But they were still more interested in the addition to going 1,000 miles an hour, we are at the same time rushing around the sun at a far greater velocity. The distance traveled by our earth is approximately 600,000,000 miles, and when they figured this distance covered in 365 days, they readily estimated our velocity at nearly 2,000,000 miles a day.

When in addition to these tremendous speeds, they learned our earth and its solar system are rushing at an inconceivable velocity through the celestial realm, as are all other solar systems, and that there is not and never has been a celestial mechanism, all and all this has been going on without our knowledge—well, they just couldn't keep from exclaiming, "Surely God is there!" If he isn't, what is? The slightest derangement, the least lack of balance in these three marvelous motions of ours through space would cause mountains of water to sweep from the oceans over the land and wipe out the entire human race in less time than it takes to tell of the possibility.

But the "little boy" explains, "Oh, God, wouldn't let that happen!" No, thanks to God, we don't fear any such calamity, but, doesn't all this help him and us to take pride in being called followers of such a spiritual being?

When one contemplates such colossal achievements, even vaguely, he can but exclaim with the Psalmist of old, "Who consider the heavens, the work of thy hand, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained, what is man that thou art mindful of him?"

Our sin has not been the sin of atheism, but rather the sin of indifference, and it seems to me emphasized more upon these larger concepts of God's material power, along with the spiritual and worshipful, can but have salutary effects in our Bible school teaching.

Of course placing emphasis upon the larger, more understandable, and acceptable concepts is our God's way of covering us with the mercy of God as a means to the great end or goal in all Bible school endeavor—the winning of souls for God and real Christlike living here upon earth.

In closing, my prayer is for consecrated devoted, energic leaders in this most important field of human service.

God give us such leaders—

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the satisfaction of their deepest desires. "If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink." Of all the figures applied to Jesus, this is the most beautiful. How necessary water is to our very existence! Take the water, and what would remain? Our bodies even are for the most part water. We could not live without water, and water has made an arid desert into beautiful sombre California. Water changes barren, dry land into fertile, green fields. We dig into the ground and find that God has provided it. We find flowing wells. Water is life giving. It quenches thirst, it refreshes, it invigorates, it purifies, it makes the earth bear fruit. Think of it, Jesus does in a spiritual way, what water does in a physical way.

How can we have this satisfaction for our spiritual thirst? Three words in the text point the way to this goal. These are—it is, "IF any man thirst." The thirst must be more than a vague, unsatisfied desire. It must be a deep, compelling craving—a real "hunger and thirst after righteousness." How easily spiritual wants are stifled. Material prosperity brings contentment. Worldly pleasures "dull the thirst after righteousness." But underneath this outward contentment smoulders the thirst, needing only a time of waiting as was true of the woman of Samaria, doing many ills, and dissipating like the woman of Samaria, doing many things, breaking laws of man and of God, and still thirsty. The shipwrecked sailor who tries to quench his thirst with sea water finds it intensified, and often loses his reason. That is what many are doing today, trying to quench their thirst by the water of doings that very thing today—have been drinking sea water instead of the water of life—and yet the thirst persists.

It is not necessary to be thirsty! Jesus still calls, "Whosoever will, let him take of the water of life freely." There is abundance of life for all who hear, believe, and partake. Jesus is the only spring which satisfies. Any other only intensifies the thirst, makes it harder to live, adds complications. Jesus is the only power to satisfy every need. He is the solution for every problem. He has the power to give a bubbling spring of life, to satisfy every desire, to make the dry, barren life bloom. And we are not to sip, merely, but to drink deeply, and long. So we will grow, and come to know life at its best.

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DENOMINATIONAL "HOOK-UP"
ALFRED STATION, N. Y.

The campaign for "Friendly Visitations," as recommended by the denominational committee on "Religious Life" has been participated in by at least one lay member of each of our church with commendable results. We need others who will do the same sort of personal work, that our church life may be exalted and our religious opportunities taken advantage of. There will be suffering and want in this winter before betterness comes. Let us see to it that there is no "depression" in our religious life, no unsatisfied hunger or starvation there. Come to church next Sunday, whether you do or not.

ASHAWAY, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Briggs of Ashaway will observe their fifteenth wedding anniversary Tuesday. They were married on Thanksgiving day, which in 1881 fell on November 24. They have enjoyed their deparute for the South this year in order to celebrate the occasion at home, and will hold an informal reception Tuesday afternoon, between three and six, at which time they will be pleased to greet their friends.

WESTERLY, R. I.

Judge Samuel H. Davis, of the Third District Court, has returned home from a visit of two weeks with relatives in Virginia. Rev. Harold R. Crandall, pastor of the Pawcatuck Seventh Day Baptist Church, will deliver the feature address at the annual memorial exercises of Westerly Lodge, No. 678, B. P. O. Elks, to be held on the night of December 6, at the rooms of the organization on High Street—W. SUN.

THE SABBATH RECORDER

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MILTON, WIS.

Dr. L. M. Babcock, president of the Rock County Y. M. C. A. board of directors, addressed the Milton Union Hi-Y club at their Wednesday evening meeting. Dr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Vandermark and daughter Miss Theodora, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hinman, Mrs. J. C. Goodrich, Miss Lois Goodrich, Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Skaggs and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Camenga, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Camenga, Mr. and Mrs. Lavinia Tischendorf, Ms. Marguerite Whitford, chairman of the committee—Courier.

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Brookfield, N. Y.

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8th.—College Review.

Westerly, R. I.

Rev. Hurley S. Warren will fill the pulpit at the Presbyterian church at Ord next Sunday in the absence of the pastor Rev. Mr. Real. The young people of the Seventh Day Baptist Church will give a play there in the evening.—Loyalist.
Earlvilc: Mrs. Edwin Aikens and son Robert of New Berlin. Mrs. Walter Matber of Oneida was also present for a short time in the afternoon.

—Brookfield Courier.

FROM THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF
"DE BOCRUSCHERAN." (THE MINN.

On August 5, the Seventh Day Baptist Church at Leeuwarden celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary. Just twenty-five years ago Brother de Jong became a Baptist, and about twelve years later he and his wife accepted the Sabbath. Ever since he has been the leader of this congregation. During all of these twenty-five years Brother de Jong has missed only twice to preach to his people, and then only by being prevented by illness. Accepting the Bible as the foundation of faith to break with the popular ideas and to serve the Lord. 

The Church and religion was much respected by Brother de Jong among many customers throughout the country. It is a well known fact that Brother de Jong is much respected among members of other denominations. It is a well known fact that Brother de Jong is much respected among members of any denomination. 

Every year he also publishes a Sabbath calendar which finds a large and ready sale among many customers throughout the country. —Translated by Jacob Bakker.
The “packing” of the juice from coquinas has proved a very matter. Everyone attempt to can or bottle the products from coquinas, as far as the writer can ascertain, has been a failure so far as retaining the delicate and distinctive coquina flavor is concerned, until after intermittent experiments extending over a period of about twenty years the process which we are now employing to this end was discovered about a year ago.

At an association held at Little Genesee, about thirty years ago, the writer urged as one of the means of recognizing the Sabbath as a trust placed in our hands, the promotion of Sabbath-keeping industries, and mentioned the Sabbath-keeping printing press concerns in two of which he had himself been employed. During the writer’s entire mature life it has been one of his dreams that he, too, might be instrumental, through spreading the Sabbath truth and encouraging Sabbath-keeping industries, in emphasizing the importance of Sabbath observance and making it easier to live—for no one can deny that it is often difficult for Sabbath keepers to find work, and the extent of their efforts to find work where they can observe the Sabbath will to some small extent depend upon their realization of its importance.

If possible the writer would like to keep this small business which he has started a Sabbath-keeping business where Sabbath keepers as owners and as employees. To make the business of real service to either investors or workers, capital should be materially increased, not for equipment, at present anyway, but for the various things for which floating capital is needed, not the least of which is the financial standing with dealers handling the products, who have a perfect right to know that a firm has capital enough to properly advertise their products and to meet orders in case the business should grow fairly fast.

To the foregoing ends, the writer would be glad to hear from any Seventh Day Baptist who would like to become associated with him and others in putting the products in bottles and cans the bouillon made from these clams by investing funds, the amount of which would depend largely upon the judgment as to extent of advertising, etc., and in its distribution. We would prefer connection with those who would also like to devote at least part time to the business, preferably at least party experienced in canning factory procedure, and also someone interested in distribution problems.

For many years it has been a frequent remark that a good business awaits the one who can solve the problem of canning or bottling coquina clam juice with the color and taste preserved. That the writer of this article has solved this problem can be easily proved to anyone who tries our products, which are already on sale in many Florida grocery, delicatessen and drug stores. He firmly believes the opinion so often expressed as to the possibilities of a good industry in this field, provided we can secure the right co-ordination of capital and services.

It causes failure, it slowly destroys the small margin of superior excellence required by the exacting conditions of today’s life. It is selfish. Cigarette makers are using this field. It breaks down ideals. It is helping to reduce our American standard of womanhood. It is helping to smother the faith When we’re smothered with fear. It is helping to narrow their hearts. It leaves the people helpless. It is helping to steal the seat. It is helping to steal the seat. It is helping to steal the seat.

It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers. It is especially bad for indoor workers.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Lucinda P. Waldo and a Seventh Day Baptist of Venango, Pa., whose supply of fresh air, sunshine and exercise is often limited.

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McNay, Green St., Meadville, a faithful mem-
ber of the Presbyterian Church at Venango, Pa.
The couple will make their home in Venango at
the bride's home. We wish them a long and happy
life.

GIESLER-CHURCHWARD.—At the home of the
bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter-
Churchward, October 3, 1931, occurred the
marriage of Mr. Paul Stephen Giesler and
Miss Virta Mae Churchward, both of Dodge
Center, Rev. J. Thornell officiating.

Sabbath School Lesson XI.—Dec. 12, 1931
John's Vision on Patmos.—Revelation 1: 1—
3: 22.

Golden Text: "I am the first, and the last, and
the Living one." Revelation 1: 17, 18.

DAILY READINGS.
December 6—John's Introduction to Jesus. John
1: 1-40.

December 7—John's Witness to the Crucifixion.

December 8—John Believes the Resurrection.

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BE STRONG!
We are not here to play, to dream, to drift.
We have hard work to do, and loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle; face it. "Tis God's gift.

BE STRONG!
It matters not how deep entrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes, the day how long.
Faint not, fight on! tomorrow comes the song.
—Selected.

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