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"Take heed lest by your example you place other souls in peril. It is a terrible thing to lose your own soul, but to pursue a course which will cause the loss of other souls is still more terrible. That our influence should result in a savor of death unto death is a terrible thought, and yet it is possible. With what holy jealousy, then, should we keep guard over our thoughts, our words, our habits, our dispositions, and our characters. God requires more deep, personal holiness on our part. Only by revealing His character can we co-operate with Him in the work of saving souls."—Special Testimony.

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General Articles

THE EDUCATION NEEDED FOR THE TRAINING OF MISSIONARIES

The following extracts from a personal communication from a former student of Union College who is now in a distant field, are so pointed that they should be passed on to our workers, parents, and young people who are interested in education. To us has been given a most important work in the world, and what zeal, earnestness, and thoroughness should characterize our preparation for it. Those who would minister to the bodies of men to-day must first complete thorough courses of study and pass rigid examinations. Shall those who minister to the souls of men be less thoroughly qualified?

M. E. K.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

One of the first things necessary in our day is a good stomach, a sound pair of lungs, and a liver that does its duty; in other words, the physical condition of the students is of supreme importance, if you would fit them for stern service in the mission field. Did you ever stop to consider how much money we have spent since we began sending out workers, in return passages for those

whose constitutions were not able to bear up under the strain of climate, the worry of adapting one's self to new conditions, or who gave way to a despondent feeling of something akin to homesickness? Have you ever heard of any prospective missionary being retained at home because "his health would not permit" his going abroad? Well, ask any member of our Mission Board, or of the Mission Board of any other aggressive evangelical denomination in America, if you have not heard of such cases yourself, and you will be very much astonished at the reply they will give you. Therefore, seek to give Union College students a good physical foundation for their mental and moral usefulness. If you get young men and young women in the school who are well and strong, don't kill them trying to get them ready for the work; if you get young men and women who are not strong, do your best to make them "physically fit," before you give them a diploma, a degree, or a recommendation to become missionaries in a heathen land, or in any other land.

Personally, I feel deeply on this subject. I think I have a right to feel deeply about it, for I see how much we as a people are losing in some of the ripe harvest fields of the world, because we have not the proper men to enter them. Of course you will not misunderstand the words I am using, and interpret

them to mean that all the students should be converted into mere physical giants, with lots of muscle, which they do not know how to control and properly use. That is not the idea at all; a good body is physically capable of enduring hard work, and is well under the control of a normal mind.

THE NORMAL MIND

This brings me naturally to the next point, as to what one should understand by a normal mind. You remember that most of us and of our fellows are not of normal mind. We are abnormal in many ways. We get to be normal by a thorough conversion to God, and we keep normal by renewing our consecration to Him every day. When we have it settled and settled forever that we will be true to Him, no matter what may be involved in it, we have taken one step toward a normal mind; and when we renew this determination every single day of our lives, we are making steady strides towards the goal of normal mentality. So much for the normal part of our mental make-up.

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THE LEICESTER SANITARIUM

We are permitted to make the following extracts from a private letter written by Franklin J. Richards, formerly a Union College student, but now the superintendent of the Leicester Sanitarium, Leicester, England.

We are glad to report the work here as growing in a gradual and healthy way. We have had a good year in many ways. Some very sick patients have been restored to health and encouraged to go forward in the better way of the Lord. One patient who was strongly advised to have his leg amputated because of tuberculosis of the ankle bones, spent a month or six weeks with us on the recommendation of the secretary of the Vegetarian Society. He made marked improvement and has continued to do so, and writes very encouragingly of his condition, and is apparently in quite sound health without losing his leg. An-

other patient, a lady who has been confined to a wheel chair for several years, was walking about after six weeks at the Sanitarium. Still another who was crippled up and in bed a year ago is in very fair health and walks without cane or crutch, does her own work, etc. Just at present we have another patient with the same trouble who has not walked for nine years. We hope to get her on her feet soon, though she is now fifty years of age. The Lord and His ways of healing deserve all the credit. Many other cases might be cited but we shall not weary you. We are getting some good workers around us and so shall be able to enlarge and extend the influence of the institution during the next year by the blessing of the Lord.

Brother O. A. Olsen reports in *Life and Health* that we have six patients' bedrooms. We have ten really, and some very large ones. Two are occupied by ourselves and Mr. and Mrs. Baker, our trained nurses, but they can be vacated at any time. We have never had more than ten patients at one time thus far.

We also had the privilege of looking over a prospectus recently issued by the Sanitarium, which shows in its illustrations that this institution is well equipped for its work.

Mrs. Dr. Richards is also a physician. She was formerly known in College View as Miss Eulala Sisley.

We join in wishing them continued success in their work.

THE IDEAL CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHER

MRS. MARY WILCOX

"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." This text should be the motto of every true church school teacher, and its fruit will be seen in the life. She will be kind, gentle, meek, forbearing, peaceful, impartial, thorough and progressive; loving her work sincerely because of the good she may do, and having a firm trust in God that He will guide in the decision of every perplexing question.

WHY DO YOU NEED AN EDUCATION?

"Any young man is wanting in his duty to himself if he fails to meet the purposes of God by improving and enlarging his faculties. The mind is the best possession we have, but it must be trained by study, by reflection, by learning in the school of Christ, the best and truest educator the world has ever known."—*C. E.*, p. 204.

True education is the training of mind and heart. Sometimes the mistake is made of regarding education as the mere acquirement of certain knowledge, needed to prepare workers for the cause. This is only partially true. The knowledge of facts is useful and necessary, but the great value of education is the increased thinking capacity of the mind and the strengthening of the moral and spiritual powers. As the blacksmith who strikes the heavy blows has the strong arm, so it is the man or woman who is trained to endure hard mental work who will have the strong, well developed mind.

The great object of education, therefore, is "to restore the image of God in the soul."—*C. E.*, p. 63. It is the development of character rather than specific acquirements for a limited sphere of action. This being true, all of our young people need an education. (*Test.*, Vol. 6, p. 207.) Character when formed is formed for eternity. What question, therefore, overtops this question; and what of all our varied activities is not mere baby's play compared to the making of character? Can we be content, therefore, to let month after month and year after year slip by without making a systematic effort to discipline our minds to genuine hard study? Can parents be content to pass this matter by lightly? The most important work God has given you to do is the education and training of your children. Some day the solemn question will be asked

of you, "Where is the flock that was given you, thy beautiful flock."

Then there is the work of specific training for the various lines of work in connection with the cause of God in the earth. "We need young men and women, who, having high intellectual culture, are fitted to do the best work for the Lord."—*Test.*, Vol. 6, p. 206. The cause needs intelligent, thoughtful, men and women everywhere, that the blessed message committed to us may be rightly represented. If the Lord demands an increase in the return of the talents of money bestowed, of how much greater importance is it than the talents of mind, the means by which God would bring us into a closer understanding of Him, should be developed by every means in our power. "The Lord is in no wise pleased with those who have opportunities to obtain knowledge but who excuse themselves in neglecting to improve all the privileges He has placed within their reach that they may become intelligent, well qualified workers of whom He will not be ashamed."—*C. E.*, p. 143. M. E. K.

A WORD FROM MISS SEGEBARTT

All Union College students will be glad to read the following extracts from a card written by Miss Segebartt, the former Matron of Union College.

DEAR FRIENDS— Across the ocean without any seasickness. Smooth sea all the way. Quite cool. Enjoyed my robe much. Just what I needed. (Miss Segebartt refers to a steamer rug which her friends presented her on the day of her departure from College View.—Ed.) Spent a week at Friedensau where our school and sanitarium are located. On the camp ground I met many friends. We then visited Wittenburg, Luther and Melancthon's homes, Berlin and Hamburg. Will see Antwerp and the Rhine and London, and will sail for South America August 11. We had this time between boats, so spent it sight-seeing. Hope all are well and housecleaning is progressing nicely. Shall be glad to hear from you all.

CHANGES IN UNION COLLEGE WORKERS

Several changes have taken place in the ranks of Union College workers since the annual calendar was issued. Eld. L. A. Hoopes has gone to Australia, in harmony with the recommendation of the late General Conference. Miss Carrie Segebartt is on her way to South America to act as matron of the school at Diamante, Argentina. Prof. M. W. Newton has been called to Battle Creek to take charge of the sale of Dr. Kellogg's books. We are sorry to lose these faithful and tried laborers, but are glad Union College is privileged to send forth to the mission fields able men and women, not only from its students, but from the ranks of teachers as well.

No doubt many are interested to learn what provision has been made for supplying the places thus made vacant. Hence it is with undisguised pleasure that we make the following announcements:—

Eld. M. D. Mattson has been engaged to conduct the classes in Bible Doctrines, Ministers' Training, and other subjects carried by Elder Hoopes. It was for a time expected that Eld. E. W. Farnsworth would occupy this position, but authoritative word came that he must not be tied to any institution, but be left free to respond to important calls for labor in the gospel ministry. Elder Mattson has been Bible teacher in South Lancaster Academy for eight or ten years. He comes highly recommended by Elder Irwin, Elders E. T. and K. C. Russell, Professor Griggs, and others. Eld. S. N. Haskell and wife have promised to be with us during the winter term. An announcement of a special course for Christian workers will be made in due time. Prof. H. A. Morrison will take the place made vacant by the resignation of Professor Newton. To fill the offices of Business Manager and Matron,

Bro. N. B. Emerson and wife, of Topeka; Kansas, have been engaged. Brother Emerson has been for some time the Financial Agent of the Kansas Conference. Sister Emerson has for years been connected with the Sabbath school and young people's work. They are both well qualified to discharge the duties of these offices.

Thus, while laborers from Union College have gone forth to other needy fields, their places have been filled with able workmen, and all will be ready for the opening of school September 12.

TRAINING FOR SERVICE

M. E. ELLIS

The problem before this denomination, is the problem of the education of the youth. There are 50,000 youth among us, and workers from among these are to carry the truth to all the world in this generation, and on the correct solving of the question how best this may be done, lies the solution of how to quickly spread this Third Angel's Message over the entire earth.

The subject of education presents itself to me in a threefold light: The need of it, the value of it, and the means of obtaining it.

NEED OF EDUCATION

That there is a great and crying need of more and better education among our youth to-day goes without saying. The most cursory glance at the *grade of work* taken by the majority of students in our training schools, shows a most lamentable lack of what we call "book learning" among our best and brightest young men and women.

"Knowledge is power, when united with true piety," (*C. E.*, p. 32,) and if ever there was a time when power was needed, and when power was imperative in dealing with common everyday problems, that time is the living present.

"Intensity is taking possession of every earthly element," and the time when our young men and women could come up to full manhood and womanhood, and live a good Christian life because they "took it by exposure," so to speak, is in the past. There are things just ahead of us that will try the strongest soul. Our great enemy is marshalling every fallen spirit to redouble his efforts at deception, and every angel in Satan's host has 6,000 years of experience to back him in laying snares for our unwary feet. There is just one source from which we can obtain power to thwart Satan and his host. That source is God; that power is wisdom. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of [this] wisdom," and knowledge, which is ever the result of study, united with true piety, is that power.

Consider the world with its schools of all kinds, its colleges, its universities, where the clearest intellects are in training in lines of philosophy, advanced mathematics, applied sciences, and erudite research in all lines of mental training. While we know that much they learn is the worst kind of error and entirely contrary to God's law, yet their accomplishments force us to acknowledge their giant intellects, and there are thousands and thousands of this class of young people in these schools. And we must face the fact that we have but few in training to send to this class with the glad news of the Third Angel's Message. Could you cope with these sons and daughters of the world in argument? Could you give a reason for the hope you have that could not be called in question? And yet Christ reasoned with the hoary doctors of the law when he was but twelve years of age, and put them to confusion.

We are face to face with the fact that better education is necessary to denominational life. Think of this message—you, young people, are the ones who will have to finish the work. Is there

need of being well-educated? Is there need of knowing how to meet cultured, refined people? Is there need of having a good supply of general information to draw from to know how to best approach literary men and women of the world? as well as the ignorant and common people? Is there need of having such a knowledge of God's word that ministers of the world will not be able to totally confuse us by quoting Greek and Hebrew to us? Is there need for men and women, who, with unassuming manner, yet with the power that comes from consciousness of unquestioned connection with heaven, can go into the world, and meet the better classes, the educated, the thoughtful, the sincere in heart everywhere?

We have not done much for them yet, and the reason is we have no one ready to send to them?

Every child has a right to be well-born. Every child in the family also has a right to have such an education as will fit him to do the most good in the world and enjoy heaven hereafter. Is that much being done for them? Are we concerned over the education of our youth? Are we interested enough in our church schools to help support them whether we have children or not; are we interested in our intermediate schools to give them our support and patronage: are we interested enough in our colleges and training schools, to make an effort, to make a sacrifice, that some of our promising young men and women may have better educational advantages? and have a chance to develop to the fullest extent in them their God-given intellects, before taking up their life work in the whitening harvest fields, with well-developed sinews of moral courage and mental strength, to do valiant and efficient, instead of zealous but bungling, work for the Redeemer of mankind? If we are, God be praised, if we are not, we stand arraigned before the Judge of all the earth,

for our negligence in this vital matter.

THE VALUE OF AN EDUCATION

Man is the most wonderful of the creatures of God, and the mind of man is the most wonderful thing about him. But the mind, like the body, must be trained to reach a full maturity of development. Paul says, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Tim. 2:15. And with all the discoveries of the last few centuries no other way has yet been found to fit "workman that need not to be ashamed" better than the one Paul gave to Timothy, to "study," and just to the extent that study is needful to good workmen, and that "with the heart [mind] man believeth unto righteousness," (Rom. 10:10) to that extent Satan tries to misguide us by suggesting easier methods, and by trying to smother the instincts of the heart, longing to believe on God, and to satisfy it with earthly pleasures.

Hence the great and immeasurable value of Christian education. Rev. Jas. Cooper, struck at once the keynote of success in education and value of it, when he said, "Dig deep, young brethren. You are now digging your wells, and if you want good water, you must go down deep. When you leave college and go out to your life work you will find little time for digging; and if your well is shallow and you are pumping all the time, the well will soon get dry—you will soon run out. If I were a young man with the opportunities of to-day, I would dig my well and I would sink it down deep."

It is a fact that many of the most earnest students in our colleges are young men and women who, after being out in actual field work for a year or two or longer, have been more strongly impressed than ever with the need of education and fitness to carry on their work successfully, no matter how great their religious zeal may be.

The immediate need of the world to-day is not more young people, but a better class of young people, and education of hearts and minds fully surrendered to God is the only means of getting them to accomplish the *most* good in closing up the work of the Third Angel's Message.

In every decision for right or wrong, in every day's intercourse with our fellows, in leading men to Christ, in working on the farm, in the shop, anywhere, in seed time and harvest, in heat and cold, in everything and every place, a human intellect trained in Christian schools, and consecrated to God, is the greatest human agent for good.

MEANS OF EDUCATION—THE GODLY HOME

We are told that the child's education begins with the babe in the mother's arms. Some writers tell us that it begins a hundred years before the child is born. At all events, its most important schooling, its most lasting impressions are received in the home in its early years.

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

But in the ideal life of the child the time comes when the little one needs more special training than the father and mother are prepared to give, and he is sent to the church school. Then begins what is commonly called, "getting an education," and the church school guides him along until he has mastered the principles of a common school education, and what is more important begins to have a good understanding of Bible truths. But he is not yet satisfied with his attainments, and the

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

offers him further advantages, and by all means he should be sent to the intermediate school rather than to college, if one is conveniently located and well conducted. A college with its hundreds of young men and women is no place for boys and girls from twelve to fifteen years of age. The temptations are too

great, the change from the simple home life is too radical, and the launching out completely from the protection of parents, is too early and too abrupt.

It is true the lower grades are taught in our colleges, but it is so because circumstances have seemingly forced them to do this to meet the exigencies of the situation, and it is a thing neither hoped for or designed for the very distant future.

But after some time spent in the intermediate school his active mind still reaches out into the vast fields and towards the ever-receding horizon of knowledge, and he feels that in order to do most efficient work for the Master he must still have more training in special lines. It is then that the college gladly opens its doors, and not until then is the young man or woman fitted to enter.

UNION COLLEGE

But Union College is not a reform school. If you have a boy or girl who is so wild that you can do nothing with him or her it is an unsafe experiment to send them to college, and is dangerous to the welfare of the college as well. It is much easier for them to do wrong undetected in a family of two or three hundred, than in the little home circle of three or four members, and unless touched by some special manifestation of the Holy Spirit, they are apt to be ruined completely.

But if you have a son or daughter who is hungering and thirsting for a deeper understanding of science and nature because it is God's handiwork, who loves to study His word, who is anxious to work for Him but realizes that education is essential to service—send them to college.

There is talent among us, which trained for the Master's service, could meet every class and glean out the sheaves for the heavenly garner. But the training is necessary, do not forget that. And until the fathers and moth-

ers, and the sons and daughters also, unite to make every sacrifice and effort possible to put the youth through a training that will fit them to be good soldiers of King Immanuel, they have not done their duty.

NEBRASKA SANITARIUM DAY AT THE OMAHA CAMP-MEETING

DR. LYRA H. GEORGE

The Sanitarium before the present year has been in no way connected with the Conference, but a few months ago the legal corporation was so changed as to inseparably connect the sanitarium work with the conference. An earnest effort is being made to unite the evangelical and medical missionary work in every possible way; for this reason and for the benefit of the people on the camp-ground Thursday, Aug. 17, was especially devoted to the consideration of the Sanitarium and medical missionary work.

The forenoon hour was the regular business meeting of the Nebraska Sanitarium and Benevolent Association. After the meeting was opened selections from a letter written by Sister White were read; the following were among these:—"The Sanitarium here is in a good location. It is away from the city with its temptations, and yet it is so situated that people will learn of it and the nature of its work. It is surrounded by a good tract of land. Its proximity to the College is a decided advantage for these two institutions, working together, may be a help one to the other. The College, the Sanitarium, and the publishing house at College View are important institutions. We must ever remember that our sanitariums are established to do the highest work that mortals can undertake. A sanitarium, from the highest to the lowest floor, should be provided with every improvement that can be secured for it, so that it may do the very best class of work."

"God has placed us in the world to bless one another, and we desire the sanitarium here to give the students in the school a representation of the highest kind of medical missionary work. God wants the students in the school and the nurses and helpers in the Sanitarium to strive for perfection in all that they do."

"Let a united effort be made to build up and sustain this Sanitarium, have life and vitality. Our medical institutions are to be as the arm and hand of the message."

"Those who are connected with this branch of the Lord's work should be encouraged and strengthened by their brethren and sisters, that they may efficiently and cheerfully care for the sick and suffering. Every exertion should be put forth to make it possible for the physicians and nurses to do thorough work. The Lord would have His people in the Central Union Conference arouse, and put forth a united effort to make the Sanitarium at College View a praise in the earth, and a continual blessing to many, that from it there may shine forth the light of truth."

The membership of the association was explained to include all the delegates of the Nebraska Conference, all the regular employees of the Sanitarium, and all graduate physicians and nurses engaged in medical missionary in Nebraska, under the supervision of, and in harmony with this association. The following officers were then elected:— President, Dr. W. A. George; Treasurer, D. R. Callahan; Eld. E. T. Russell, and Eld. A. T. Robinson as new members of the Board of Trustees, for three years each; Prof. E. C. Kellogg, to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of Eld. L. A. Hoopes. Following this election the treasurer's report for the last two years was read. This report shows that the institution has been doing a large amount of business on a very small capital. In spite of the fact that

several thousand dollars worth of charity work has been done each year, the institution has been able to meet expenses and pay some on its debts. The report was followed by a free discussion of some of its items. Several members of the association brought out important points concerning the finances of the institution.

All the Sanitarium helpers who could be spared from their work were present at this meeting, and much interest was shown in the subjects under discussion.

According to previous appointment the afternoon hour was used for a demonstration of the Sanitarium methods for giving simple treatments. Tables were placed on the platform and nurses showed how to give a hot blanket pack for rheumatism; cold mitten friction followed by an oil or powder rub, to be given after a hot treatment; fomentations to the chest followed by cold compresses for pneumonia, fomentations combined with the ice-bag for appendicitis; hot sitz bath, wet sheet rub,— and various other treatments.

The audience, which filled the large tent at this meeting, seemed much interested in these demonstrations, and the explanations that accompanied them, and when an opportunity was given to ask questions, many inquiries poured in concerning various ailments. These were briefly answered by Doctor George, and as far as possible the treatment, that could be given in any home, suggested for each one.

Another legal meeting was called at five o'clock and the different branches of the Sanitarium work discussed. Several of its former patients spoke gratefully of the benefits they had received, and of their efforts to send others to the institution.

Very little advertising is done by the Sanitarium except that resulting from the testimonies of men and women who go out from the place with renewed health and strength, and in many cases

with a new song in their hearts, for the precious truths and blessings of the Lord that they have found while recovering from their sickness.

Sunday evening, Aug. 20, was the last public service of the camp meeting and the large tent was filled to overflowing to listen to an enthusiastic temperance lecture by Elder Daniel Nettleton, who has for the last four years been chaplain and Bible teacher at the Nebraska Sanitarium. Doctor George assisted during this lecture by showing the properties and effects of alcohol and demonstrating its presence in a number of patent medicines in common use.

FROM ELDER WAKEHAM

The many friends of Elder W. H. Wakeham, especially those in Nebraska who heard his earnest pleas for the foreign work during his brief visit to his home state after the General Conference, will be pleased to read the following extracts from a letter to the president of Union College:—

"I am enjoying a brief stay in the delightful hills of Surrey, at the 'Hydro,' as it is designated here. Had a pleasant voyage across the Atlantic. Shall put out to-night for Hamburg, then to Friedensau, then on to Egypt. We have decided to send Rea, and Loto, my oldest girl to Friedensau, to be with Glen. It will be nice for the three children to be together. Loto needs to be out of the city. They will have country life pure and simple, and plenty of out-of-door work. They will get some advanced work in English and German, French and music. We will try that for a year, and see how it works.

"We know not what the future has in store for us, but we are committing our case to Him who knows all our wants.

"The outlook here is good. England is prospering. The prospect for the London school is encouraging. Professor Salisbury is of good cheer. The 'Hydro' is full and God is blessing it,

"We are still on the lookout for a good man for Egypt. You know about what we want. I shall be pleased to have any information you can give me at any time that will put me on the tract of a suitable worker, or workers, for our needy field."

HOME DISCIPLINE

On "education day" at the Nebraska camp meeting, at the morning social meeting, the following remarks were in substance made by W. H. Neville, of Lincoln. They deserve to be passed along, read, and heeded everywhere:—

"If there is a subject that should interest us at this time it is the proper conducting and carrying on of our church schools, and I want to say from what I have learned in the past four years in giving my attention to this matter in our school at Lincoln, that a great many parents are making a mistake in not properly training their children in their homes, and teaching them obedience to themselves and to God. Do they not know that in neglecting this vital point they are not only leaving their own children to go to destruction, but are also tearing down or undoing the good work that other mothers and fathers are doing for their children. Why so?— Because these tender ones are sent to school and have to mingle with the untrained children. I implore parents who have not been awake to this sad condition that they will seek God until they have a true knowledge of how to train their children.

"I have known many cases where children have gone from the school to their homes, carrying complaints and falsehoods to their parents, with the result that the parents would begin to pity their children, writing out their feelings to the teacher, or telling their children to bring home their books, not realizing the injustice they are doing

the servant that God had placed over their little ones.

"Order is heaven's first law, and unless we have it in our homes we cannot have it in our schools. God has given us many things in His word to teach us how we should train our children. I believe that the enemy of our souls is deceiving some in regard to what is called sympathy, but what is in reality false sympathy, as the servant of God terms it. By this means the devil is leading some to misunderstand and condemn the just servants of God. Send your children to the school with the understanding that they are to comply with rules and order, even if this calls for the punishment of your child. Take an interest in the welfare of your children. Visit the schools and talk with your teacher and pray that the Lord will make all wrongs right. Trust in His promises that everything will work together for good and the Lord will add His blessing."

THE A, B, C OF OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK

MRS. MARY WILCOX

The "A, B, C" as here used would suggest the most important or foundation work. In Testimonies, Vol. 6, p. 179, we find this statement:—

"Study in agricultural lines should be the A, B, C of the education given in our schools. This is the very first work that should be entered upon."

Surely there must be good reasons for such instruction. On page 176 we read, "While attending school, the youth should have an opportunity for learning the use of tools." Also "small fruits should be planted and vegetables and flowers cultivated. Thus while exercising brain, bone, and muscle, they will also be gaining a knowledge of practical life. Culture on all these points will make our youth useful in carrying the truth to foreign countries."

The great work of teaching present truth to every nation is the acknowledged object of our educational work, and certainly that which will fit our pupils best for this work ought not to be neglected. But how has it been? We have only to reflect to be able to see. "Had all our schools encouraged work in agricultural lines they would now have an altogether different showing. There would not be so great discouragements."—*Vol. 6, p. 177.*

Let us review the lives of some of the men of old who were faithful to God, and we shall see that they were trained in this line which to-day has been so much neglected. Even Adam before he sinned, was commanded to dress and keep the garden, and was afterward told to till the ground because the work this required would be a blessing to him. Elisha was found plowing in the field when the call of the Lord came to him. He had learned the power of God, and knew that if necessary he could cause even the island to swim. This is the kind of faith that is developed by close communion with nature.

What will the effect be when study in agricultural lines is made the basis of all our school work? "It would be a great aid in educational work could every school be so situated as to afford the pupils land for cultivation, and access to the fields and woods."—*Ed., p. 212.* "In the cultivation of the soil the thoughtful worker will find that treasures little dreamed of are opening up before him. No one can succeed in agricultural or gardening without attention to the laws involved. . . . The attention required in transplanting, that not even a root-fiber shall be crowded or misplaced, the care of the young plants, the pruning and watering, the shielding from frost at night and sun by day, keeping out weeds, disease, insect-pests, the training and arranging, not only teach important lessons concerning the development of character, but

the work itself is a means of development. In cultivating carefulness, patience, attention to detail, obedience to law, it imparts a most essential training."—*Ed.*, p. 111, 112.

"As parents and teachers try to teach these lessons, the work should be made practical. Let the children themselves prepare the soil and sow the seed."—*Ed.*, p. 111.

"The constant contact with the mystery of life and the loveliness of nature, as well as the tenderness called forth in ministering to these beautiful objects of God's creation, tends to quicken the mind and refine and elevate the character; and the lessons taught prepare the worker to deal more successfully with other minds."—*Ed.*, p. 112.

These extracts fully point out our duty and show us how to work, telling us the sure results if we carry them into effect. Shall we not exert our energy and influence to this end?

COLLEGE VIEW YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY

Good interest, aggressive work, and a good attendance are three encouraging features of the young people's society of College View.

Several branch Sabbath-schools are being carried on in Lincoln by members of the society, and from the monthly report of these given at the last meeting it is evident that they are but the entering wedge that will open many hitherto closed doors.

The plan in the Sabbath meetings has been to have a study on some mission field, the main facts to be brought out by questions, also a Bible study on some practical theme, and enough other exercises to furnish variety.

New members are being added every week, and other work is being planned for. A collection was taken last Sabbath for the society's mission in Porto Rico, amounting to \$8.98. M. E. ELLIS.

TEACHERS WANTED

In sending the renewal of his subscription to the EDUCATIONAL MESSENGER, Prof. A. E. Doering, of North Dakota, makes the following request:—

"Will you kindly insert a notice in the MESSENGER to the effect that we want teachers for home schools, and church schools, both for English and German schools. All applicants should write as soon as possible to myself, the superintendent for home and church schools of the North Dakota Conference. Address, Prof. A. E. Doering, Bowdon, N. Dak.

ATTEND SCHOOL—WHEN? NOW

J. C. ANDERSON, CLASS OF 1907

As the beginning of the school year approaches, I often wonder what I can say that will induce young people to attend school and put in faithful work studying.

All we are is through God's mercy, and it should be our constant study how to improve our time to His glory and the good of humanity.

There will be but little time to earn money before school opens this fall, but what shall we do with what money or property we have? Material property may be swept away in an hour's time, but not so with an education. The more you use it the better it will become. It is the one thing that increases by use.

Have your clothes neat and clean and then use the rest of your money to go to school. Any young man who can have fifty dollars clear after paying expenses to reach Union College, should go, unless sick or infirm parents need his support. Take working clothes along and work at what you can get to do, but not over thirty hours a week. By this means you can earn more and stay in school longer. The writer speaks from experience.

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News and Notes

Miss Maude Baily is in Deadwood, S. D., and will teach the church school there this winter.

Prof. R. W. Brown and wife are soon to sail for Australia to connect with the Avondale school.

J. H. Bradley is cashier of a bank at Gifford, Mo. Mr. Bradley and wife have a young son.

The home of Professor and Mrs. Frank Cheney, of Avondale, Australia, has recently been gladdened by the arrival of a son.

James H. Turner, who was in Union College nine years ago, is to be superintendent of schools at Ponca City, Okla., next year.

Bro. Paul Curtis and wife, (nee Cora Dunn) are helping with the tent company at Edmonton, Alta. Edmonton is one of the largest cities of the Northwest. Eld. J. W. Boynton is also there. We hope for a large company to see this truth and be bright and shining lights in that city. Brother Curtis and wife like their new field very much and enter heartily into their work.

A. N. Allen, class of 1905, is canvassing near Ragan, Neb.

Pearl Pattison and Austin C. Voorhies were married in Duford, Colo., June 14. They are now living at Piuita, Colo.

Elsie Blandin, of western Nebraska, a former student of Union College, has been engaged to teach next year in the Milwaukee schools.

Geo. H. Skinner is now located at 9, Evans Street, Montreal, Canada, and is pastor of the Seventh-day Adventist church at that place.

We have received many friendly words and expressions of appreciation from our friends who have been lately renewing their subscriptions. We are glad for the news items contained in some of these letters, and print a few of the letters nearly entire. Let the good work go on.

We have received a copy of the prospectus of the Canadian Northwestern Training School, near Portage la Prairie, Manitoba. It was printed by the typewriter and mimeograph, and on the first cover has a photograph of the school building. O. A. Hall, formerly of Union College, is the principal of the institution. Fall term begins Nov. 1, 1905. The school farm consists of about 130 acres of land, sixty acres of which are under cultivation.

The Union College Press has a limited number of Elder W. B. Hill's tracts on the Sabbath question. Two of these deal wholly with the Sabbath question, and one has synopses of several sermons on present truth, preached while on a trip to Minnesota. While they last we will mail them postpaid at the following extremely low prices; "A trip to Minnesota"—48 pages—heavy cover extra, only 2 cents each. "Latest Phase of the Sabbath Question"—24 pages with cover—1 cent each. "The Sabbath"—24 pages with cover—1 cent each. Order quick for they will not last long. Just the thing for general distribution.

Prof. M. E. Kern is in Iowa attending local camp meetings.

We hear that William and Christian Eden expect to return to Union College at the beginning of school.

Josephine Schee and Emma Christenson have returned home for school, after a successful vacation canvassing in Missouri.

S. H. Logan has completed a course of training in the Battle Creek Sanitarium, and is now operating treatment rooms at Calgary, Alberta.

Students are already arriving at frequent intervals, and letters are being received daily from old students expecting to return, and new students coming for their first time.

Sunday, Aug. 27, an old fashioned house raising bee assembled at the church school grounds in the east part of town, and by night the frame for our new three roomed church school building was up and the work of sheeting well advanced. The work is in charge of O. E. Cummings.

A force of twenty-five workers has been waging war on the College building under the leadership of our new matron, Mrs. Belle Emerson. The result is a scarcity of dirt, dust and cobwebs, causing a very noticeably beneficial effect upon floors and windows. After finishing their work in the College building they made an attack upon South Hall with the same results.

Prof. R. W. Parmele and wife returned to College View, August 18, and are preparing to spend the coming school year in South Hall. The Professor spoke in the College View church Sabbath, August 19. As a part of his discourse he related some of his experiences of the past vacation. Besides visiting in Illinois and Michigan, he and the Doctor conducted a series of tent meetings at Lake Goguac, near Battle Creek.

Hannah Johnson is doing nursing work at Webster City, S. D.

P. H. Brown, publisher of the *Shelby County* (Iowa) *Republican* made our office a pleasant call last week.

Elmer Wolf and Elsie Boynton were recently married at the home of the bride's parents, Calhoun, Neb.

Miss Sadie Anderson is living in South Hall while her brother is taking treatment at the Nebraska Sanitarium.

Miss Louise Tucker, of Broken Bow, Neb., is helping with the work at South Hall this summer. She expects to attend Union College this year.

T. A. Weishaar, of Turon, Kans., is back in the business office of the College again, keeping the books. He is also the College stationer this year.

The new College View church school building, 20 x 70 ft., is being rapidly pushed to completion. It is expected that it will be ready for occupancy about October 1.

A large band of workers are still busy making extensive repairs on the College buildings and grounds, and getting everything in readiness for the opening of school, September 13.

Harley Stevens' familiar face appeared among us after the camp meeting. He reports excellent success in his canvassing in Kearney county. He makes his delivery September 10, and then returns for school.

Prof. M. A. Farnsworth and family returned to College View last week. Professor Farnsworth will be principal of the church school again this year. He will be assisted by Miss Mary Kinneburg and Miss Edna Schee.

Nellie and Sadie MacDonald, with their mother, have been living for some time at Grinnell, Iowa. Their grandfather, who has been poorly for some time, recently died. They hope to spend some time in the future in Union College.

The College Press printed new telephone cards for the local system this week. There are now over one hundred thirty subscribers, and more being added.

Eld. O. A. Johnson has recently been compelled to seek rest in the Skodsborg Sanitarium, Sweden. His son Roy is operating a linotype machine for a daily paper at Beaumont, Texas. Harry is firing a locomotive on the Grand Trunk railroad.

Miss Lizzie Segebartt left College View for Kansas, August 24. She spent a few days at the Hutchinson camp meeting, going from there to her home at Argonia. She will return for the opening of school this fall as it has fallen to her lot to practice the culinary art in South Hall.

The Union College Press is now busy printing a book by Prof. C. C. Lewis, "Addresses for Young People." It is expected the book will be off the press some time in November. The book is printed on heavy paper, will be attractively bound in cloth, and will be an excellent gift book for the holidays.

During the summer the Junior department of the College View Sabbath-school has had a membership of over eighty. The two Sabbaths that camp meeting was in session in Omaha the attendance was only 33 per cent, but last Sabbath found all in their places once more, excepting the church school teachers who had been in attendance during summer school. Mrs. Wilkinson (*nee* Maude Morrison) was present for the general exercise period and gave a very interesting description of our European Sabbath-schools and young people's societies, some noticeable features being the struggle of all young people of those not well to do to gain a livelihood and education; their constancy after conversion, and their energetic missionary efforts, which so far have often been productive of great success.

Misses Peebles and Graf are rusticated near Fremont.

A telegram was received here yesterday that Mrs. N. P. Nelson was dead. No particulars.

OPENING OF UNION COLLEGE

Union College opens Wednesday morning, September 13, at nine o'clock. College View students will meet for classification Tuesday, at nine o'clock. Students living outside of College View should be present on Tuesday, in order to secure rooms and be ready for the opening the day following. The work of classifying and organizing the school, and adjusting the program will be completed Thursday, and regular recitations will begin Friday. Those who wait till the following week, will be disappointed. They will be behind two or three lessons. They will have missed the general instruction, the music recital, and the president's annual address. They will have to choose studies in harmony with the program, without having had a voice in its adjustment. Come early if you can, but do not fail to come late if you must. "Better late than never." All indications point to a large attendance. Most of the old students are coming back. When you read these words, decide to come with the rest.

C. C. LEWIS, *President*.

"RUN SPEAK TO THIS YOUNG MAN"

Youth is the critical period of life. It is the time when decisions are made which affect the whole future life. Many a young man or woman has been turned in the right direction by a timely word of encouragement from some one older in years. Note the following from the pen of Sister White:—

"There are numbers that ought to become missionaries who never enter the field because those who are united

with them in church capacity or in our colleges, do not feel the burden of labor with them, to open before them the claims that God has upon all the powers, and do not pray with them and for them; and the eventful period which decides the plans and course of life passes, convictions with them are stifled; other influences and inducements attract them, and temptations to seek worldly positions that will, they think, bring them money, take them into the worldly current. These young men might have been saved to the ministry through well organized plans."—*C. E.*, pp. 45, 46.

Think of it, brethren and sisters! Young men and women who might have been workers lost to the cause—drifting into the worldly current—because some one did not take the interest in them that should have been taken.

We are nearing the time of year when hundreds of our young people ought to be entering our schools. "Run speak to that young man." You may see him in the work and in the kingdom of God as a result of a few words of timely encouragement, or a few dollars spent in assisting him to school this fall. Many of our young people who are anxious for an education and desirous of fitting themselves for usefulness in the cause lose courage after a few disappointments in regard to entering school. I know of many such who have lost their interest and drifted into the worldly current.

"Much has been lost by lack of attention to the young." Let us awake to the awful danger of those who are in the slippery paths of youth. "Run speak to this young man." M. E. K.

INDUSTRIAL WORK IN OUR SCHOOLS

FLOYD BRALLIAR

Every school should have industrial work as a part of its work. It brings in a solidity and a definiteness that noth-

ing else will do. I feel that we make a mistake whenever we plan even a church school without some manual training. Thought that is to take form through the hand must be clear cut and distinct. More than that, children develop more interest in real things than in abstract theories.

To make industrial work a success, every teacher must have a part. It will not do to say, "Go do" this or that. The teacher must have and manifest a true interest in all he asks his pupils to do. One who has no faith in industrial work being a most important item in education will surely fail in the attempt to teach it.

Many say, "What can we do?" The land is always present with us. With cold frames for pansies in fall, and hot beds in spring for plants of various kinds, window gardening and the spring gardening, there is always agricultural work to be done, even in the smallest church school.

A few dollars will procure sufficient tools and lumber for training in the use of tools, and rightly managed it can be made self-supporting. No work can prove more beneficial than this.

Then ordinary paper cutting and basket sloyd are valuable, especially to smaller children, and can be taught at any time of the year.

Plainsewing and cooking should have a place in every school of higher class than the church school; and where they can be made a part of church school work without breaking into the regular class work, they should have a place even in a church school. A small cook stove, used for the preparation of a warm dinner need not make any break in class work, will largely solve the discipline problem at the noon hour, and will prove invaluable to many pupils in after life.

But whatever the lines of work adapted to the individual school, all should plan to have something and do it well.



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