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Liffe should be full of earnest work, Our hearts undashed by fortune's frowns: Let perseverance conquer fate, And merit seize the victor's crown: The bittle is not to the strong, The race not always to the fleet, And he who seeks to pluck the stars, Will lose the jewels at his feet.

-Phoebe Cary.

"Do not forget that your life may be the only Bible your neighbor ever reads."

#### Be Brief

"LET the message for this time be presented, not in long, labored discourses, but in short talks, right to the point....Give short, simple lessons, in plain simple language, and let them often be repeated."

## Uniting With the Angels

THE inhabitants of the heavenly universe are appointed to go forth and come into close touch with human instrumentalities who act as God's helping hand. In the performance of this mission of love, angels mingle with the fallen race, ministering to those who shall be heirs of salvatior. Divine and human agencies unite in the work of restoring the image of God in man. All who partake of the divine nature are appointed of God to unite with the angels in carrying forward with untiring zeal the plan of redemption.—Mrs. E. G. White.

# Walking with Him

IF we walk with Christ, we may depend upon it He will make use of us. When Christ was upon earth He walked in strange company, and in very unlooked-for paths. He went about doing good, and His favorite places of resort were the homes of the sick, the ignorant, the outcast, and the poor. If we are to walk with Him, we shall be found going on similiar errands now; for Jesus Christ is "the same yesterday, to-day, and forever." He came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance;" "He came to seek and save that which was lost." Happy are they who are willing thus to walk with Him. They shall find that their lives have not been lived in vain.

Here is the record of such a life: "My covenant was with Him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared Me, and was afraid before My name. The law of truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips: *he walked with Me in peace and* equity, and did turn many away from iniquity."— Edw. W. Moore, M. A.

#### What Is a Prophet's Position in the Church?

1. Believers are likened to the different members of the human body, as the hand, foot, eye, ear, etc. 1 Cor. 12:12-27.

2. The church is called the body of Christ. Eph. 1:22, 23; 5:30; 1 Cor. 12:27; Rom. 12:5.

3. Different indviduals occupy different positions in the body. 1 Cor. 12:14-26; Eph. 4:8-16.

4. The duty of a prophet is (1) to *see*, 1 Sam. 9:9; Isa. 30:8–10; (2) to *speak*; Ex. 7:1; 3:16.

With the eye we see; with the mouth we speak. Therefore the position of a prophet of God in the church answers to the *eye* and *mouth*. The prophet foresees for the church, and speaks for God.

What, then, is the condition of a church with-

out a prophet?—The same as that of a man who can neither see nor speak—both blind and dumb.

And any member of a church with a prophet in it, who refuses to listen to the words of that prophet, is not only blind and dumb, but stiffnecked and disobedient.

Therefore, "Believe the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper." 2 Chron. 20:20.

W. A. COLCORD.

# "What have They Seen in Thine House?"

THE Lord has seen fit to commit to us, as a people, a most precious truth. This truth is a bulwark, able to protect us from the manifold deceptions that Satan is bringing upon the earth. It is complete, and to my mind, there is not a need it does not supply. This is, too, the last message of mercy that is to go to this doomed world, and there are many souls who are inwardly and silently longing for this very truth that has blessed our lives.

While it is a duty that God has imposed upon us, it is also a blessed privilege that He has graciously granted us to bear this message to those in darkness. This duty and this privilege extend to everyone who has embraced the truth for this time. The Lord has given "to every man his work." "All the members have not the same office", but all have a work. Christ says, "Let him that heareth say come." "Ye are the light of the world." Let us, then not hide that light under a bushel.

King Hezekiah had been sick. The prophet told him that he should die, and instructed him to set his house in order. The thought overwhelmed him. Immediately he began to weep, and pray that his life might be spared. The Lord heard his prayer, and "Afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, the word of the Lord came to him saying, Turn again, and tell Hezekiah....I have heard thy prayer, and I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee."

The news of this wonderful healing spread abroad, and was carried to a "far country, even to Babylon." It would appear from the record that the king of Babylon had been longing for something better than the dumb idols which he had been worshiping. And when he heard of a God who could heal a man, and add fifteen years more to his life, there was begotten in his heart a desire to know more of that God. Accordingly, he "sent letters and a present to Hezekiah." Here was Hezekiah's opportunity,—he surely will improve it,—to impart to the king of Babylon a knowledge of the God he loved, and who had so wonderfully blessed him. But did he? In 2 Chron. 32:25 we read, "Hezekiah rendered not again according to the benefit done unto him; for his heart was lifted up." Instead of glorifying God by showing the ambassadors what God had done for him, he spent the time in showing them all the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures."

I feel assured that there are individuals calling almost daily at the homes of our people, because they have a desire to know more of the truth so graciously committed to us. We cannot tell who they are, for they do not state plainly their errand. Brother, sister, when your neighbors have called upon you, "What have they seen in thine house?" Have you shown them your treasures? or have you "rendered again according to the benefit done to you?"

For the neglect of Hezekiah to do the work he had an opportunity to do, it became necessary for God to instruct the Babylonians in another way. So many of the Children of Israel were carried down to Babylon, and through them the knowledge of the true God was carried into that kingdom.

I read in Rom. 9:28 that God will finish the work which the remnant has begun. I have meditated much on this scripture, and wondered if that means that we are going to be so remiss that God will finally take hold of the work and finish it in some other way without our aid. Certain it is, brethren, that we are not doing all we should do to carry the message. There are many who profess the truth who are apparently more interested in anything else in this world than they are in the truth. At least one would so judge from their conversation. May God help us to realize that it is now high time to awake out of sleep; ' for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand." Rom. 13:11. When our neighbors call, let us tell them what the Lord has done for our souls (Ps. 66:16), and not waste so much precious time and so many precious opportunities showing our "precious

things," pictures of our friends and the like. May the question, "What have they seen in thine house?" put to Hezekiah by Isaiah, be ever before us, and prompt us to duty, that we all may at last hear the well-done said unto us.

R. W. PARMELE.

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# Black Hills Camp-meeting

THIS meeting was held at Hot Springs, South Dakota. The camp was located in the Chautauqua Grounds. Instead of having a large pavilion pitched in which to hold the public services, they were held in a large auditorium located on the grounds.

Laborers present: N. P. Nelson, A. T. Robinson, L. A. Hoopes, J. J. Graf, L. E. Johrson, A. C. Anderson, J. W. Beams, E. L. Cook, and the writer.

Elder Hoopes labored in the interest of the young people, and sister Hedgecock, of Hemingford, conducted the children's meetings. At a revival meeting held Sabbath, twenty-five or thirty came forward for prayers, and, although there did not seem to be any special excitement, the deep movings of the Spirit of God were manifest, and the general impression of those present was that the meetings were productive of much good.

At the Black Hills camp-meeting last year a movement was set on foot towards the establishment of an intermediate industrial school for that part of the Nebraska Conference. This matter was carefully considered by those in attendance at the camp-meeting, and it was thought best for the Nebraska Conference to encourage the brethren in that part of the state in the establishment of two or three church schools, and assist them in procuring the best teaching talent possible, so that the work might be carried forward effectively. It was thought that if these church schools could be carried forward successfully that a sufficient constituency might be created by which to establish an intermediate industrial school in the future; but all seemed to be of the opinion that we are not able to take that step at present.

Those present at the meeting seemed to regret deeply that Elder Nelson was to leave them for a new field of labor, as they had learned to highly respect him as a brother and a worker; but while they seemed to regret that they had to part with him, all gave Elder Robinson a hearty welcome.

E. T. RUSSELL.

#### Hemmingford, Nebraska

On my return from the Hot Springs campmeeting, in company with Elder Graf, we stopped off one day at Crawford, where we held one evening meeting. Taking the midnght train, we arrived at Hemmingford at an early hour on Thursday morning, and were met by Brother Albert Hedgecock, who took us to his comfortable home. Elder Graf spoke in their church that evening, and then took the train to fill an appointment at Aurora, and I remained at Hemmingford over the Sabbath. On Sabbath morning I spoke on "The Message to All Lands," after which a cash donation of \$22.65 was taken up for the Australian relief fund. In the afternoon we met and and celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house, closing with a testimony meeting, in which nearly everyone took part. The sweet spirit of the Saviour was in this meeting, and it was good to be there.

On Sunday afternoon a very enthusiastic church school meeting was held. Some time ago one of the brethren donated to the church, for church school purposes, a forty acre allotment of land. Upon this they have since built a small meeting house. Another brother bought a hotel building in the town, and moved it a distance of two miles, putting it on this ground, and fixing it up at a cost of about \$500. The church made arrangement to pay this brother his outlay on the building; also to purchase the 120 acres adjoining the forty acres that had been donated; also a quarter section of land on the opposite side of the road. So they will own 320 acres, 160 acres on either side of the road, with the church building, a large two story house of ten room, and two wells, with windmills connected.

The church asks the Conference to cooperate with them in the establishment and carrying forward of their church school in the following manner: The Conference to send a man and his wife to live in the house, one who combines the talents of a good teacher, preacher, Sabbath-school and church worker, or in other words, an all-around worker; such a man to make the Hemmingford district his permanent field of labor, to work for and be paid by the church during the time while school is in session; and during the time when school is not in session, to work in the district under the direction of the Conference.

In this plan the church fully assumes the financial responsibility of educating their children, and I believe the Lord approves of the noble and self-reliant manner in which this responsibility is being met.

Since my return to Lincoln I have laid this matter before a council of leading brethren, and definite steps are being token to place such help as has been called for, in that part of the field. If all take hold as the Lord would be pleased to have them, I believe Hemmingford will become a strong center of missionary work, from which the light of the blessed truth for our time will shine out upon the surrounding country. A. T. ROBINSON.

1505 E. Street, Lincoln, Neb.

#### Palisade, Nebraska

For about two months I have been selling and giving away tracts and papers, and selling our good books. I have had some wonderful experiences with the people. I gave one man a tract on the use of tobacco, and he made all sorts of sport of it; but when I met him again he told me that he had read that tract over and over again, and had given it to others to read, and that he had finally quit smoking.

I gave a lady a *Signs*. She said, "That is such a good paper." Another lady thanked me for the papers, saying that they did not have any religious papers now.

I met one man who had been a minister of the gospel, but had given up everything. He told me his experience, and I talked with him for a long time. I tried to get away several times, but it seemed as though I could not leave him. Finally I left; but I did not feel satisfied until I went back and prayed with him, and gave him some tracts. I aftewards sent him some more tracts and a paper. Later I called on him again. There was a great change in him. He and his wife both prayed earnestly. When I left, they invited me to come again. There are many such people all over the country who are hungry for a new experience, for something good and substantial in religion. Truly ours is a grand and glorious truth.

Are there not many of our people who would like to send their papers to individuals who would read and appreciate them?

Three have commenced to keep the Sabbath since I came here. Another family is reading our literature, and gave me an order for the *Signs*. They also bought five of our books. I hope and trust that there are many more here who will yet embrace the truth.

C. S. WILBUR.

#### Arcadia and Loup City, Nebraska

FROM July 2 to 7 we were at Arcadia and Loup City, and very much enjoyed our visit at these two places. Services were held at Arcadia Sabbath and Sunday, July 4 and 5. At the request of Brother Hahn we went ten or fifteen miles in the country and held services at a school house, where Brother Hahn, by his faithful labors, has awakened quite an interest. As we presented to the people some of the truths of the gospel, we saw that their hearts were tendered by the spirit of God.

Monday, the 6th, we went to Loup City, and called on several of the brethren. We very much enjoyed the hospitality of Brother Nightengale. While there we held but one meeting, but so far as we could learn the brethren were all of good courage. We see no reason why a laborer could not visit that place, and, by holding a series of meetings, lead many into the light of present truth. J. H. WHEELER,

E. T. RUSSELL.

#### Sutherland, Nebraska

At the close of the special course, held at Union College, I went to Kearney where I spent a few weeks reorganizing the Sabbath-school which had been discontinued during the winter. We also distributed some of the new tracts. Later Mrs. Hall joined me, and we began a series of meetings in a sod school house on Brady Island south of Maxwell. The meetings were well attended, and much interest was manifested. Very few had ever heard the truth presented.

On account of the rainy weather and spring work we were unable to finish the work there this spring. There are other openings, and many urgent invitations for us to return to that field this fall, which we hope to be able to do.

We are now at Sutherland engaged in tent work with a good attendance. Brethren Wilson and Hayden are also engaged in the work here. Pray for us and the people of Sutherland. O. A. HALL.

#### Progress of the Work in Nebraska

Brother J. J. Graf called at the office June 7. He is expecting to join the workers at Norfolk where two tents are to be pitched, one for the English and the other for the Germans.

From a letter from Sister Loy at Norfolk we quote the following:—

Our Sabbaath-school membership now numbers 14. One woman and her three children came out July 4, and decided to obey the Master, We were all glad to be shut in with the Lord from the revelings of the world during the excitements of the day. God be praised for His goodness to us that He has not left us in darkness. The interest is increasing. Enclosed please find \$9, our little offering for the Australian field. May the blessings of God go with it.

Brother Carl Swenson, Albert Anderson, and Prof. Wallenkampf are holding up the standard at Stromsburg.

O. H. Hall and Brother Wilson are at Sutherland holding meetings and report a good interest.

E. L. Cook and Wm. Batterson will soon begin work at Grand Island.

L. E. Johnson expects to close up his work in the Black Hills district, and drive to Grand Island, visiting the brethren and sisters on the way.

Elder E. T. Russell was called to Arcadia last week in the interests of the work.

Elders A. T. Robinson and N. P. Nelson left Lincoln the 9th, expecting to visit the companies at Omaha, Tekamah, and Decatur before returning.

L. E. Koon is now auditing the Nebraska Sanitarium books. He has been assisted in his work by H. T. Curtis. He expects soon to leave for Denver, Col., where he will be associated with H. H. Hall, of the Pacific Press Pub. Co., in auditing the Colorado Conference and Tract Society books.

Brother Campbell called at the office, and reports a good interest in the western part of the state. Especially is there a good interest in the health work at Beaver City. Plans are in the process of formation whereby a nurse can go there and develop this phase of the work. The ladies of the town are inviting our sisters to study the health principles with them, and they are using *Good Health* as the basis of the studies.

Brother A. C. Anderson is beginning meetings out near Newman's Grove. C'H. MILLER.

# Personal

DEAR BRETHREN OF THE NEB. CONF.:-

Several months ago I left Lincoln for the Pacific Coast, intending to spend a few weeks with relatives, and return to my work in Nebraska at the close of the General Conference. However, duty called me to remain in California, so it became necessary for me to sever my connection with the Tract Society, where I have labored so many years.

My connection with the Conference has been most pleasant, and it is not without sincere regrets that I say farewell. I wish to thank you for the charity you have always exercised toward me, and for the words of appreciation and encouragement spoken. Though separated many miles from you, I am still interested in the work in Nebraska. I long to see it prosper, and trust each member of the Conference will be faithful in laboring for the advancement of the truth.

I shall be glad to hear from any of my old friends. Address me at Haywards, California. Your sister in the truth,

MARY F. BEATTY.

#### One at a Time

WHEN I was a little boy helping mother store away the apples, I put my arm around so many of them, and tried to bring them all at once, that I made a complete failure of the effort. I managed all right for a step or two; but soon one fell out, then another, and another, till all were rolling over the floor. Mother laughed.

"Now Daniel," said she, "I'm going to teach you a lesson." So she put my little hands quite tight around one.

"There," she said, "bring that, and then fetch another."

I have often thought about this when I have seen people who might be doing ever so much good if they did not try to do too much all at once. Do not try to put your arms around a year, nor trouble yourself about next week. One day at a time, one hour, one minute. yes, one second, is all the time we get at once. So our best course is to do one thing at a time, and "do the next thing next."—Daniel Quorum.

# P Missionary \*

Conducted by Mbiss Tkatic Coleman

O TELL me of heaven, sweet heaven, The home of the pure and the blessed, Where sorrow and sin cannot enter, Where the weary forever shall rest. Let me hear or the heavenly city, Where all is immortal aud fair: And I'll fee all earthly enchantments, And carnestly long to be there.

Let others seek earthly possessions, And lay uy their treasures below; I have heard of a land that is better, And to seek it with ardor I'll go. I have heard of a world robed in glory, And freed b om temptation and care, Where sickness and death may not enter, And I long, O, I long to be there. —Sarah M. Swan.

# Will Our Books Sell?

WHILE attending College last year many of the young men asked me this question, "Will our books sell as well as other books?" Some of these students are out in the field now, handling some of our largest books, and from the reports I see that the Lord is giving them good success.

Yes, our books will sell any place because they contain God's message for the people. God wants more of our young people to engage in scattering the pages of truth.

Brother Glenn George and I have been working here in Marion County, Missouri, since school closed. We have been selling the medical books, and the Lord has given us good success and many rich experiences. The Lord has said that "the medical missionary work is the right arm of the message." I have found this to be so, for I find that people everywhere are acquainted with our sanitarium and health work, and because of this I have been privileged to talk to many-people about our work, while they would not have talked to me upon other subjects.

During the month of June my book sales amounted to \$221.75. Part of this time was spent in city work. Brother George has done equally well, if not better. I am at present working in the city of Palmyra, and Brother George is out in the country. We have had no time to get discouraged, for the Lord has given us plenty to do in working for souls that are discouraged.

I am glad the Lord has given me a part in

this work, and I hope to see this message taken to the dark places of the earth. When this' is done, the King will come to claim His own.

A. H. OWEN,

#### Among Our Canvassers in Kansas

LAST week one of our lady canvassers wrote: "I now expect to devote my whole energy to the canvassing work, and throw myself, heart and soul, into the work of the Lord." This week she writes: "I am beginning to enjoy my work very much. I realize the presence of the Lord more than ever. The one desire of my heart is to let the Lord use me in the way that He sees best. I believe the Lord wants us all to have success, and if we work hard and trust all to Him we shall have success."

Another canvasser writes: "It is encouraging to see the world being enlightened with present truth, yet it seems to me that we, who have been entrusted with light so much in advance of others, are not fully awake to a realization of the responsibility of the light given, or we would all be more faithful."

One of our canvassers, who has lost considerable time on account of sickness brought on by exposure at the time of the Kansas flood, writes that he is glad that he is well now and ready for the work again.

We are pleased to receive the first report for this season from one of our faithful, efficient workers of many years experience, W. B. Roberts, and to notice that it is a very good one, too. We shall expect regular reports from Brother Roberts hereafter.

One of our canvassers who has just been delivering, reports a perfect delivery, one without the loss of an order.

We are hearing from new ones every week who desire to engage in the work, and if those who have entered the work already will only prove faithful, and show a spirit of patient continuance, we shall yet be able to place many of our good books into the homes of the people before Christmas.

In spite of the floods and hail storms, our Kansas canvassers did real well during the month of June. Forty-one canvassers reported taking orders to the amount of \$1,380.50, and delivering books and helps to the amount of \$667.95.

FRANK JENCKS.

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## Life Boat Work

LITTLE Lenora Cartwright and Elva Horn have been out selling *Life Boats*. Once Lenora entered a public house and the man in charge seeing her asked her what she wanted. Smilingly she said "I want to sell you a *Life Boat*." On reaching out for the paper he asked the price, and she said with all calmness "a dollar." The man fairly struck with the simplicity of the child quickly placed a silver dollar in her hands, and bade her go on her way rejoicing. May God bless the little children as they go out to spread the message of truth by selling our papers.

# Follow Up Your "Object Lessons" Work From the Atlantic Union Gleaner.

DURING the past few years thousands of copies of "Christ's Object Lessons" have been sold by our people. This was a grand work, and brought blessing both to those who sold books and to those who bought them. Now a most favorable opportunity offers to follow up this work.

For the last six months of this year all the Sunday-schools which use the International series of lessons will be studying the Old Test ament history. These lessons are selected from various scriptures, beginning with "Saul Chosen King," and taking up the more important events down to the "Dedication of the Temple."

All will see at once that nearly all of this history is covered by the subject matter of "Patriarchs and Prophets." And we who have read the book know that the wonderful lessons of God's providence in lealing with His people of old are brought out in this book as in no other publication. Such a book is a real help to all Sunday-school workers. Shall we let this season pass and not do all we can to bring this book to the attention of this class of people?

Those who have sold "Object Lessons" should now revisit all their subscribers, and interest them in "Patriarchs and Prophets," another book by the same author. An appreciative hearing is pretty certain where the first book has been read.

Workers who have already tried this plan of following up their work with "Object Lessons," say that they can sell other books readily.

Try it, my brother, my sister, and you will realize blessings in richer fullness than in your previous experience with "Object Lessons."

# A Letter from the Isle of Wight

DEAR FRIENDS OF UNION COLLEGE:-

Reports of your zeal in Christian growth and work have reached me occasionally. Believing you have been launching out into new fields of work, besides continuing to develop the lines already begun, I have been pleased often to carry you and your work to the heavenly Father in prayer that you might increase the talents He has given you in trust.

Thinking that you would perhaps appreciate a few notes from one who, though far away, has yet a warm regard for Union College, and the students who connect themselves with it to gain a Christian education for the Master's service, I write these few notes of experience.

Since the General European Conference, held at Skodsburg, when I was transferred from France to England, I have been in the Isle of Wight, south of England, engaged in the book work with "Great Controversy." This has been an entirely new work to me. The island is a favorite English seaside summer resort, a "Mecca" to which agents of every sort resort. Hence the people do not take hold of the books readily. However, I have managed, by the help of the Lord, to secure many orders, and have had many interesting and valuable experiences as I have met with the people.

They are generally conservative, yet at times one succeeds in winning their confidance as the book and its themes are presented. They open their heart troubles when the comforting balm of the precious promises of God are poured into the hungry souls.

I have seen strong men and women shed tears as the thoughts of the brief canvass went home to the anxious seeker after truth. No people aside from the English people have done so much, or are doing more now, to extend the gospel to every land and clime. The majority of the great world missionaries of the past three centuries have been Englishmen, as were Carey, Livingston, Chalmers, etc.; therefore as a people we ought to leave no stone unturned until everything is done that can be done to give to England the Third Angel's Message. I believe that many young men and women native to this field will soon be raised up for the accomplishing of this work in this country and its kindred colonial dependencies.

There is much hard work to be done here; more workers can be used; they are not yet in one another's way. Those who may be thinking of coming to this field should remember that they are not coming for a picnic play spell, but for hard, solid work. Everyone who comes should leave America behind, and become an Englishman as rapidly as possible, for the people as a rule do not appreciate the efforts of one who brings a supply of "Yankee innovations" with him. The same is true in a large degree no doubt in other fields. But I can assure you that the one who comes to meet the people as they are, will receive a hearty welcome.

In going from home to home, as myself and a fellow-laborer are now doing, one has splendid opportunities to study the people. The experiences are as varied as the people we meet, some very short and chilling; many very pleasant.

The island is a very pleasant place, the climate bracing and invigorating. No part of the island is more than about five miles from the sea, so the winds are always fresh. It is therefore a healthful place. I never enjoyed better health than I have here.

Many times we have an opportunity to read the Scriptures with the people. A few days since, while working in a small town one afternoon, everyone seemed indifferent to anything I could say or do. It was hard work to sell even a penny tract. Finally I knocked at the door of a house, when a young man about thirtyfive years old, came to the door, and at the mention of my work he invited me to come in. I entered, and soon discovered that he was nearly blind. He had been in this condition for nearly three years. Physicians think that he will be able to see after a time. His wife goes out to work. In his lonliness he had been praying to God that some one might come to talk with him. As I talked to him concerning our faith, and read to him a few paragraphs from the prospectus, he praised God, saying, "My prayer is answered." His great desire now is to be able to see, so that he may go out to tell others of a Saviour's love. He firmly believes he will. As I brought the sure promises to him, he responded with praises to God for His goodness. I assure you after that visit I went on with a light and happy heart. glad indeed to learn a lesson of patience from a blind man, and to be an instrument in God's hand to bring light and hope and courage to

his longing heart.

At present every Wednesday evening a few interested persons gather at our home for Bible study. We have studied with them the second coming of Christ, the signs of the times, home of the saved, and other subjects. They appreciate it very much. We are hopeful that this may be the beginning of a church in this place.

The need of this field is great. I pray that the Lord will place the burden upon many for this field. Who will come over and help? Praying that God will adundantly bless you all as you go out in the Master's service through the summer vacation, I remain

# Yours very truly,

B. L. MORSE.

DEducational D Conducted by L. B. Moopes

The Summer School at Union College

THE summer school has had a good attendance and a lively interest from the first. As before announced, the first week of the school was occupied by the Educational Convention, which gave a very good start for our summer school. The first step taken by both teachers and pupils was to get into that frame of mind spiritually toward God and toward each other that would permit the co-operation of the Spirit of God in all the work of the school. Confession of faults and the putting away of sin was the first thing in order. Each one seemed to realize that if the school was to be a success, it would be because the Lord would have His own way in all the work of the school.

The lines of study and instruction are about the same as outlined in the circulars sent out before the school opened. A regular daily program is carried out in all the work. Time is devoted each day to nature study, which is of a very practical character. The students equip themselves with proper attire and utensils for doing work in the garden, in the orchard, and on the campus. An effort is made to follow out the instruction, as nearly as possible, that has come to us through the Spirit of Prophecy.

The instructors are: Floyd Bralliar, B. E. Huffman, C. R. Kite, W. S. Cruzan, Dr. W. A. George, and the writer. As one of the instructors, I can say that the interest in the Bible study is as deep as in any class I have ever had. We endeavor to take up such topics and in such a way as church school teachers will have to do when they go to the different churches to teach church schools, or conduct religious exercises in the vicinity of these schools. We not only try to get the thought in the Bible, but to make the thought a part of our lives, so that the instruction will be an individual experience in the life of each teacher.

While there may be many methods used in all the classes that are common in public schools, we believe there is a rich religious experience that may be brought into all the instruction. The divine thought of language, of numbers, of geography, of history, and of science, is eagerly sought for, together with the best methods of how to impart the same instruction to their classes.

The membership of the school is as follows: from Nebraska, 28; Kansas, 10; Missouri, 9; Iowa, 7; Colorado, 1; Wyoming, 1; Texas, 1; total, 58.

#### Not Enough Young Men

One thing that comes to us with peculiar force is that so few young men are taking up the work as church school teachers. Our visits to the conferences, and the reports that come from the various church schools convince us that we are in the greatest need of more stanch young men who can take positions in many of our leading church schools as principals. Young men are needed who are good disciplinarians. On this line is found one of the greatest needs of the church school work. We shall have more to say about this subject another time.

#### Calls for Teachers

Already some very urgent appeals have come in for church school teachers, and we shall endeavor to supply these with the best teachers, because their appeals have come first, and because of our knowledge of the fields whence these appeals have come. It will, therefore, be in order for each conference to keep its state superintendent well informed as to its needs. These superintendents should have an opportunity to study the situation, and to plan with the teachers who are present as much as possible, before they begin the school work. It is none too early for this work to begin if it is not already planned. L. A. HOOPES.

# @ Health Department @

Conducted by mors. Lyra 10 George, m. D. "Prosper and be in Wealth"

### The August "Good Health"

YOUR attention is asked to the special Dedication Number of *Good Health* for August. It will contain about one-third more than the usual amount of literary matter, rendered especially attractive by nearly thirty well-chosen illustrations. The following are some of the subjects that will be treated in this:—

The dedicatory exercises of the new building of the Battle Creek Sanitarium.

Extracts from speeches made on that occasion.

The dedication of the Midison (Wis.), Caterham (England), and Sydney (Australia) sanitariums.

Besides these features of special public interest, this number will contain among others the following important general articles:—

"The Influence of Diet upon the Brain and Nerves," by Dr. J. H. Kellogg; "A Few Facts About Tea and Coffee Drinking," by Dr. J. H. Kellogg; "Mosquitoes as Carriers of Disease," by Dr. F. J. Otis; and "Ten Scientific Arguments against Alcohol," "Rowing as an Exercise," "Healthful Dress," and What to do in Emergencies," and other articles, besides Editorals, Answers to Correspondents, etc.

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#### True Happiness

It is a pleasure to be with people who are sound in health. They take such a hopeful and wholesome view of life and of things in general that they have a bracing, tonic effect on those around them. As a rule they are bright and good-natured, and their abounding vitality seems to make the world in general happier.

The confirmed dyspeptic, and the person who in common parlance "enjoys poor health," are, on the other hand, regular wet blankets. Their melancholy faces are enough to extinguish the pleasure of the happiest party. In the domestic circle, they are regular non-conductors of genial influences. Sometimes combined with bodily woes is a mind that regards cheerfulness in others as sinful levity, which makes people particularly trying to the patience of their friends.—Australian Good Health.

#### How to Make Haste

Do you know how to hurry? This is a hurrying age, and you ought to know how to keep up with it—if you think it worth your while. These suggestions come from busy men:—

Do nothing you do not have to do. Cut out the non-essentials.

Do not hesitate. Begin at once. Stop when you are through, and begin on the next thing.

Do not be too particular what part of the job you begin with. A good rule is to do what is under your hand first, the next nearest thing next.

Do not pause between jobs.

Do your thinking while you are acting, and think about the work in hand.

"It is in working actively to supply the necessities of the cause of God that we bring our soul in touch with the Source of all power."

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The state camp-meetings in the Central Union Conference will be held as follows:—

Missouri...... Windsor, Aug. 13–23. Colorado..... Salida, Aug. 20–31. Kansas..... Newton, Aug. 27–Sept. 3. Nebraska.... Grand Island, Sept. 3–13.

#### Nebraska, Notice

As I EXPECT to leave for the South about July 15, all correspondence pertaining to the work and workers of the Nebraska Conference should be directed to Eld. A. T. Robinson, 1505 E St., Lincoln, Neb. Elder Robinson is to have oversight of the work in the Nebraska Conference.

I feel to thank the Lord for the co-operation which the brethren and sisters, as well as the workers, have shown to me the five years that we have labored together. You have stood by me and the work nobly, and the Lord has greatly blessed our harmonious efforts, for which I praise His holy name.

Elder Robinson has had a wide experience in

conference work and I am sure you will stand by him, and the Lord will surely bless your united efforts.

I ask that you remember me at the throne of grace as I go into the needy southern field, that the Lord may give me wisdom to perform His work to the honor and glory of His name.

N. P. NELSON.

#### A Friend in the Kitchen

**W** have just received a shipment of the above named book, and feel sure you will be richly blessed in renewed physical life if you get the book and put into practice the good recipes and directions contained therein. The work is thoroughly vegetarian, and altogether one we think of a very practical nature. The recipes are short and simple, such as anyone can understand and use. Try it.

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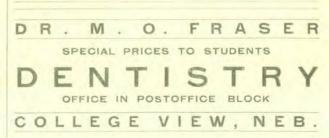
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# THE CENTRAL ADVANCE



# Rews and Rotes

Elder E. T. Russell occupied the pulpit at the College View church last Sabbath.

The reader will find some good, live, encouraging reports in this number. Read them.

The College View Church donated over one hundred dollars toward; the Australian fund July 4.

The Kansas state camp-meeting will be held in West Park, Newton, Kansas, Aug. 27 to Sept. 7.

Prof. M. E. Kern and wife have been spending a few days at Topeka, Kan., in the interest of the young people's work.

Union College Bakery is now doing a good business. Large quantities of goods are being sent out each week.

Brethren Hall and Wilson are holding a series of meetings at Sutherland, Neb. Elder Wheeler joined them last week.

Miss Emma McNeal, of North Platte, Neb., is teaching music in the Lincoln City Mission in connection with her other work there.

J. Sutherland, Business Manager of Union College, is spending a few weeks vacation with his son living near Hennesey, Oklahoma.

Several have taken their stand for the truth at Ft. Scott, Kan., as the result of the tent efort being conducted by Eld. R. W. Parmele.

Eld. J. M. Rees has now moved his family to their new home at Stewardson, Ill. Elder Rees will take the Presidency of the Southern Illinois Conference.

There will be a local camp-meeting held at Cherokee, Kansas, July 16 to 23. Elders Russell and Colcord from this place are expected to be in attendance.

Crops are looking fine throughout the Central Union Conference, and the fact that God is so richly blessing us with abundant crops should beget in every heart a spirit of thankfulness for His having crowned the season with goodness, that will lead them to give liberally that this precious truth may be heralded to the world. No idea can be too absurd to find champions, nor any fanaticism so foolish as not to find followers.

Prof. Wallenkampf, Chas. Swenson, and others are holding a series of tent meetings at or near Stromsburg, Neb.

It is expected that 20,000 copies of the August *Good Health* will be issued. Only five cents per copy in lots of five or more. Order a supply and send to your friends.

The race troubles are rapidly increasing throughout this country, as we have been informed they would. Lately there has been an epidemic of lynchings, roitings, and horrible crimes over this question.

One Iowa sister sends us a dollar and several stamps to renew her subscription to what she terms "our worthy little paper," the ADVANCE. She is evidently an appreciative reader, and believes the ADVANCE has come to stay.

Bro. Frank Jencks, State Missionary of Kansas, spent a few days with his family at College View last week, and then returned to Shaffer, Kan., where he will labor in the interest of the canvassing work.

Mrs. E. A. Merrill, of Kansas City, Mo., is now visiting her parents and brother, Elder R. D. Quinn, at Salt Lake City. Elder Quinn sails this month for Australia to connect with the work in that field.

Brother A. La Rue, who for the past fourteen years has been our missionary in Hongkong, China, is dead. He was eighty years old. We are glad he lived to see an advance move made toward giving the message to China.

We are pleased with the neat and tidy appearance of the Lincoln City Mission. It is being repaired and everything put in order. Five helpers are kept busy. They are expecting to take up the tract work on the "Envelope Plan" in the near future.

Reports are coming in from all the conferences to the effect that the conference laborers are all actively engaged in holding tent meetings in new fields. May the Lord prosper them in their work, and at the close of the summer campaign may we realize that more souls have been converted to God as the result of this sum mer's work, throughout this territory, than during any summer in the past.