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COLUMBUS JUNCTION CAMP-MEETING.

THE last of the local camp-meetings for this year was held in a very favorable location at Columbus Junction. Tent meetings had been held at this place by Brn. Elmer H. Adams and U. P. Long, which had resulted in arousing considerable interest, and in the acceptance of present truth by a few. It was truly refreshing to hear the testimonies of those who have lately come to the faith. Their zeal, faith, courage, and the missionary spirit shown, were a real inspiration to those who have been long in the way.

The weather during the week was quite unfavorable, being unusually cold, but none were disposed to complain, and all present enjoyed the meeting. On Sabbath, after a stirring sermon by Eld. Santee, almost the entire congregation arose, thus signifying their desire to re-consecrate themselves to the Lord. We believe that decisions were made at that time which are for eternity. No baptismal service was held, but arrangements were made for those who desired this rite, to receive it at their home churches.

The workers present were Elds. Santee, Stevens, and Hansen, Brn. Adams, Long, J. W. Dorcas, G. R. Hawkins, and Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas. Eld. J. H. Morrison came on the ground Thursday evening, remaining until the close of the meeting. Eld. Frank

A. Washburn was present on Sabbath, from Iowa City.

The record of these fall meetings is now closed. They have been rich with blessings to those who have availed themselves of their privileges. And, as was stated in the BULLETIN by another, recently, "Privileges accepted or neglected will form the burden of the Judgment." May the advance steps taken by our brethren and sisters at these meetings never be retraced. May the coming year be one of victory to every one.

MRS. L. F. P.

CHURCH AND FAMILY SCHOOLS.

THE establishment of these schools is encouraged by the Lord through the Spirit of Prophecy, and parents are told that the schools may be a means in the salvation of their children. These privileges have been long neglected; for the enemy has seen that the victory to be gained through them is greater than that to be gained in any other way. God has spoken and given command to his army to go forward and reclaim the fort, which has been lost through neglect, and this can not be done without a great battle; but the greater the battle, the more blessed will be the victory in reclaiming our dear ones from the temptations which are multiplying on every hand. In these schools there will be developed characters like that of Joseph and Daniel, and these will stand the test in the last great conflict. Then, parents, shall we not improve the opportunity of starting this work? Those who have no children should remember their duty also, and unite with the parents in carrying it forward.

There are many difficulties that may come. Some say that they are not able to pay a teacher, others hesitate because the members are scatter-

ed, and some feel that they can not spare their children from work. There may be truth in each of these statements, but if there is, there must be a remedy for it. In answer to the first mentioned difficulty I might say that if our children hold the place in our hearts which they should, we will make an offering by sacrifice. There are many ways in which we can save pennies, and by putting them together they will make dollars; and by putting a few dollars together each month, a church or family school may be held. If a family is separated from others, one of our dear teachers may be invited to come into such a family and teach the children in the Lord's way; and if others are living near, an opportunity may thus be given them.

Those who are busy with much work should remember that children like a change of work, for rest is in the change. If the children are taught the commandments of God, they can do more work and will be more faithful with their chores than if they were kept at work all the time. Turning this thought around, we can also say that if a proper amount of exercise in work is given, children's minds will be clearer, and the law of God can be written in their hearts more perfectly.

One great advantage in these schools is that the children can be at home, where they may receive the love and counsel of father and mother, and so be better fitted for advanced study later. Much time and money has been spent in sending children away from home who were unprepared to take up the studies in our colleges. This has brought burdens and perplexities upon our colleges, and has kept them from attaining to the high standard which God requires of them.

Now God has worked marvels the past year, and let us remember that

some of our dear brethren and sisters have obeyed the call of the Holy Spirit, and have stepped down from the lofty mountain of worldly methods, to the lowly, Christ-like plane of love, to work for this most important class. With this before us, let us look the facts in the face, and reason together. Read Mal. 4: 6. When the hearts of the fathers are turned to the children and the hearts of the children to their parents, then we will find Eden homes and the schools of the prophets.

A limited number of God-fearing teachers have been prepared to fill the calls, and there are only a few now unemployed. Therefore act quickly, placing an eternal value upon the souls of your children. For further information write to Eld. Clarence Santee or Eld. J. W. Adams.

P. A. HANSEN.

PLEASE GIVE THIS ATTENTION.

THE helps for the second-Sabbath missionary meetings are furnished by the Foreign Mission Board. Those to be used on Oct. 14 are in the September number of the *Missionary Magazine*. Through the kindness of the publishers, sample copies of this journal have been sent to the missionary secretaries not now taking it. We wish to set before our church elders and missionary secretaries the urgent necessity of taking this *Magazine*. It is only twenty-five cents a year, and you will be without the helps for the foreign mission meetings, if you do not take it. If for any reason the elder and the missionary secretaries cannot supply themselves with it, the church should take up the matter, and provide them with it.

Then, too, the *Magazine* is the text book to be used in studying the field, by the members of the Missionary Reading Circle. So, in fact, every family should have it. It just seems that the *Magazine* is one of the indispensables. Subscribe at once, so as not to miss the next number. Send in your order to the State Office.

MRS. L. F. P.

PREACHING CHRIST.

THOSE who believe in keeping all the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus; and who are looking for the soon-coming Saviour, expecting him to set up his kingdom, which shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High,—that kingdom for which he taught us to pray, "Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven,"—are very

commonly reproached with being visionary, and neglecting the "practical" duties of Christianity. We have often heard this insinuated, and the preaching of "Christ crucified," by way of foil and contrast. As much as to say, at best, If your views are correct, you are forever holding up non-essentials; we preach essentials,—the very marrow of the gospel,—Christ crucified. Those who hold this view preach only a half gospel. The blood has been shed, the purchase made; but the redeemed have not taken possession of the promised inheritance.

The Word of God declares that "the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now, . . . waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body." The heavens are spoken of as receiving Jesus until "the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began." How ashamed will many be at his appearing, that with the record of his will continually before them, they did not really understand what the kingdom of our Lord and the Messiah is.

Not long ago a company of ministers, assembled in fraternal conference, agreed that each should state the substance of his public teachings. One of them arose and said, "I preach Christ and him crucified." Whereupon nearly all the rest, one after the other, rose and repeated, "I preach Christ crucified." Was it really as they said? It may well be doubted. Jesus was manifested to take away sin. Sin is the transgression of the law. Whosoever offends in one point is guilty of all. ☐ When the saved of earth come up to the pearl-decked gates of the city of God, they will be welcomed in, because they have done his commandments.

Christ means Messiah, and Messiah means the Anointed One, the King. In the Word of God he is called Jesus Christ or Christ Jesus, sometimes one and sometimes the other. Jesus signifies Saviour; Christ signifies King. Our Lord is King; to this end was he born. No one can preach Christ fully who does not preach his coming and his kingdom.

L. F. STARR.

THE greater and more original a character is, the less dependent is it on the peculiarities of its environment. It is fed from deep wellsprings within itself.—*James Stalker, D. D.*

FIELD REPORTS.

STORY CITY.

WE have now taken down our tent on account of cold weather, but are still continuing the meetings. The attendance was good during the tent season, and the interest fair. We have presented present truth as far as time and ability would permit; and have realized a special blessing, for which we give God all the glory, because it all comes from him. Many said that they had never before attended meetings where they received so much light and courage, with the conviction of sin. There are three Lutheran Norwegian churches and one English church, and the ministers have done a great deal to hinder the people from attending our meetings. Several priests have been here from Chicago, Minneapolis, and other places, and finally a discussion was held for five days on the "Law and Gospel." It will not be hard for the readers of the BULLETIN to understand the object of this discussion or the conclusion reached. They had a large audience. Only the Lutheran priest was allowed to speak. We know that they can do nothing against the truth.

We are still using a club of the *Evangelists Sendebud*, and have been over the town three times, receiving twenty-six orders. We will now continue the work with tracts. We have sold tracts, papers, and a few small books, to the amount of \$24.80; and have given away 6,200 pages of tracts and 1,863 papers. Our donations amount to \$20.03. Meetings have also been held in a schoolhouse south of town every Sunday afternoon. We now have a room for meetings, and held our first service there last Sabbath. The Spirit of God made a deep impression on hearts, and we felt that it is good for brethren to dwell together in unity. It did our hearts good to hear those who have newly come into the faith testify to the glory of God.

N. C. BERGERSEN,
PETER LINDAHL.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCE.

PERHAPS the readers of the BULLETIN would like to know how one of Iowa's workers spent her vacation.

After the camp-meeting I went home, and soon after I was asked to teach the young peoples' class in the Baptist Sunday-school. As the lessons were in Daniel, I had opportunities for presenting present truth. While

we were studying Daniel 6, I dwelt upon the principle exemplified by Daniel, "We ought to obey God rather than man," and referred to the fact that the carnal mind is the same in every age. I admonished them to stand firmly by the old Baptist principles which were practiced in the life of Roger Williams. They all seemed to see the point, and I was asked to present the same thoughts before the school. I conducted one of the B. Y. P. U. meetings while there. A short time before I came away, the Baptist minister asked me to give a talk on my work, occupying the hour for Sunday evening services. I never felt my weakness more. What could I say that would not offend and yet rightly represent the Lord's work? I took it to my Heavenly Father, and all my doubts and cares ceased. The minister took special pains to go to the homes and invite the people, also announcing it Sunday morning. After the talk was over, he asked the prayers of the people for me, that souls might be saved by my efforts in Keokuk, and in closing the meeting asked God's blessing upon my work. The Baptist Missionary Society gave me blocks enough for almost three quilts. I gave several readings to a prominent Baptist lady and also in our own churches. I ask your prayers, that as the Lord shows the way my heart may ever be inclined to do his will more fully. NELLIE E. KNAPP.

OBITUARY.

CAMERON.—Died near Sergeant Bluff, Iowa of malarial fever, Clarence Elmer Cameron, infant son of Thomas and Martha Cameron, aged 4 months.

A large circle of sympathizing friends joined the sorrowing family in the last sad rites. Words of comfort by the writer from Ps. 60:11; 1 Thess. 4:13-18. J. C. CLEMENS.

THE BOOK WORK.

THE PRESENT SITUATION.

It will be noticed that quite a number of our canvassers have left the field for various reasons, some to go to school and some to take up other lines of work. We are sorry to see this. But are there not others who will step in and take their places? This is a favorable time to begin. The holidays are coming, and people will soon begin to buy presents; and shall we not, lay members and other workers,

make an earnest and continued effort to improve this opportunity of getting our good literature into the hands of the people? I noticed in the report of the last meeting of the Conference Committee a recommendation asking our tent laborers to engage in the good work of distributing our literature. We are glad that our Committee thought best to make this addition to our canvassing corps. For terms, territory, etc., please write to me, and I will gladly give the desired information.

"If there is one work more important than another, it is that of getting our publications before the public, thus leading them to search the scriptures. Missionary work,—introducing our publications into families, conversing, and praying with and for them, is a good work, and one which will educate men and women to do pastoral labor."

Now, brethren, this is an important question, and let us consider our duty in this carefully and prayerfully. Times are good, and now is the time to work. May God help us to see our opportunities and grasp them in his strength, and with one united effort carry forward the work to completion.

W. L. MANFULL.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 29, 1899.

| | Hrs. | Ord. | Val. |
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| THE COMING KING. | | | |
| J. S. Fry, Montezuma..... | 3 | 1 | \$ 1.00 |
| Belle Rame, Boone..... | 44 | 12 | 12.50 |
| Cora Quinn, "..... | 54 | 10 | 10.00 |
| H. B. Tilden, Grinnell..... | 11 | 5 | 5.00 |
| Nettie Brown, Bloomfield..... | 3 | 1 | 1.00 |
| *Cora Countryman, Maringo..... | 15 | 3 | 3.06 |
| Mary L. Haskell, "..... | 17 | 3 | 3.00 |
| Susan Haskell, Bloomfield..... | 3 | 1 | 1.00 |

| MISCELLANEOUS. | | | |
|-----------------------|----|---|--------|
| Mae Kephart..... | 2 | 2 | \$.75 |
| H. F. Lamb..... | 2 | 1 | 5.50 |
| S. B. Lee..... | 10 | 7 | 8.50 |

| GREAT CONTROVERSY AND SUNSHINE AT HOME. | | | |
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| J. P. Gaede, Steamboat Rock..... | 35 | 9 | \$14.75 |

| DELIVERIES. | | | |
|---------------------|--------|----------|-------|
| | Books. | Value. | Lost. |
| Burton Church..... | 13 | \$ 10.00 | 0 |
| Carl Rasmussen..... | 30 | 30.50 | 1 |
| Lewis Hilliard..... | 56 | 100.75 | 4 |
| Lloyd Manfull..... | 32 | 42.25 | 0 |
| S. B. Kephart..... | 17 | 31.00 | 0 |
| Olive Lefave..... | 75 | 93.75 | 5 |
| P. W. Atkinson..... | 13 | 24.00 | 1 |
| H. F. Lamb..... | 4 | 30.50 | 0 |
| J. S. Fry..... | 1 | 1.00 | 0 |
| Mae Kephart..... | | 5.50 | 0 |
| C. A. Anderson..... | 120 | 155.00 | 20 |

| SUMMARY. | | | |
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| No. of agents..... | | | 19 |
| " " orders..... | | | 55 |
| Value of "..... | | \$65.00 | |
| " " helps sold..... | | \$ 37.20 | |
| Total value..... | | \$102.20 | |
| Value of deliveries..... | | \$524.34 | |
| +Two weeks. | | | |

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

STRENGTH FOR TO-DAY.

STRENGTH for to-day is all we need.
As there never will be a to-morrow;
For to-morrow will prove but another to-day,
With its measure of joy or sorrow.
Strength for to-day—in house and home,
To practice forbearance sweetly;
To scatter kind words and loving deeds,
Still trusting in God completely.

—Selected.

HOME INFLUENCE.

THERE is no place like home as a help to Sabbath-school work. It helps most when all its members attend the school. All should attend, for all need to study the Bible. But attendance is not the only thing that is needed. There must be hearty co-operation between the family and the school. In many cases there is no co-operation, and in some cases there is evident antagonism. By true co-operation, the complaint against the school as lessening the sense of parental obligation, would be forever silenced.

The first element of this co-operation is a good understanding between parents and teachers. It should be distinctly recognized that they form a mutual-aid society, laboring for the same ends, and using, where possible, the same means. This co-operation should cover the matter of reading collateral scriptures at home, carefully preparing every lesson, examining children at home, both before and after recitation, securing a cheerful punctuality, advising teachers as to hopeful or discouraging symptoms in a scholar; in short, it should include every means whereby the parent can help the teacher, or the teacher can help the parent.—*Baptist Teacher.*

PRINCIPLES OF PRIMARY TEACHING.

"OUR part, as teachers, is to study the children."

"Our part is to fit our processes of education to the stages of the unfolding of the child."

"We want to have our material and our methods of work alongside of the development that God has placed in the child itself."

"We are very apt to teach classes instead of individuals."

"Only as we enter into their experience, and only as we understand their experience, and get down to their point of view, can we really teach little children."

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DES MOINES, IOWA, OCT. 10, 1899.

—DR. MAE HALL, of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, visited in Des Moines over Sabbath and Sunday.

—MRS. AMY JOHNSON, of the tent company at Ames, visited her mother, Mrs. E. J. LaPlant, at the Sanitarium last week, remaining over the Sabbath.

—BRO. I. G. COLCORD has been visiting Des Moines brethren and sisters and friends for a few days, having come from Nebraska with private conveyance.

—BRO. J. W. DORCAS, having attended all the fall camp-meetings, to look after the matter of locating and caring for the tents, returned to this city last week.

—ELDS. P. A. HANSEN and C. F. STEVENS were in Des Moines last week, in counsel with other workers concerning matters pertaining to the Conference and Sanitarium.

—THE *American Sentinel* and *Missionary Magazine* clubbed together, only \$1.00 per year. No one can afford to be without either of these periodicals. Address orders to this Office.

—MR. AND MRS. W. M. ADAMS spent a few days in Des Moines last week, returning to Ottumwa on Friday. It has been decided that they are to locate at that place for the winter.

—BRO. D. P. POWELL, who has been working on the Sanitarium since camp-meeting, left last week for Battle Creek, Mich., where he expects to take the Medical Missionary Training Class.

—MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS visited Cedar Rapids immediately following the Columbus Junction camp-meeting. Her mother, Mrs. M. L. Field, left this city Friday morning for her home at that place.

—ELD. S. N. HASKELL visited Eld. W. L. H. BAKER at Grinnell last Wednesday and Thursday, en route for Battle Creek, Mich. His sermon Wednesday evening on the "Parable of the Sower" was a rich treat to the friends at that place.

—BRO. W. L. MANFULL has been laboring among the churches since the Columbus Junction camp-meeting, in the interests of the canvassing work. He visited Fairfield and Libertyville last week, going from the latter place to Birmingham.

—THE missionary exercise to be used in all our churches and companies, Sabbath, Oct. 14, is prepared by Eld. I. H. EVANS, President of the Foreign Mission Board, and is published in the September number of the *Missionary Magazine*. The special subject is "Two Great Questions;" and they are questions, too, which each of us must help answer. Our missionary secretaries and church elders and leaders should immediately subscribe for this journal, that they may be able to conduct these meetings. It is only 25 cents a year. Every family ought to have it, but it does seem that the leaders in our local churches must have it.

—THE following are the names of those taking the nurses' class at the Sanitarium: Mr. and Mrs. F. L. SMITH, Marshalltown; Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BARCUS, Little Sioux; Minnie Lenz, Dubuque; Laura Gilbert, St. Charles; Mrs. Olive Swap, Des Moines; Alice Johnson, Des Moines; Martin Henrikson, Shelby; Mattie Houser, Knoxville.

—THE reading matter contained in the World's Harvest Number of the *Signs* will more than equal two books as large as "Steps to Christ." With this in consideration, the price, ten cents per copy, is extremely low.

—MISS ALLIE MANTZ left this city last Wednesday morning for Battle Creek, Mich., expecting to take up some line of medical work.

—MRS. MARY PENEWELL, of Dakota City, would like copies of our denominational tracts and papers to supply a reading rack at that place.

—BRO. CHAS. MURRAY, who has been a faithful helper at the Home for some time, visited his son at Cedar Rapids last week.

—MRS. INA HIBBS, of Salix, asks for late copies of the *Signs* and *Sentinel* for use in the depot reading rack there.

—BRO. W. M. MILLER is taking the place of our regular compositor, who is away for a short vacation.

—MISS NELLIE L. DAVIS, of Malvern, has been chosen to teach the church school at Glenwood.

—MRS. ELLEN MORRISON, of Milo, met with the Des Moines church last Sabbath.

—MR. AND MRS. OTIS KITTLE, of Clinton, are visiting relatives in Des Moines.

—MRS. S. A. RIDDLE, of Prairie City, attended quarterly meeting services here.

—THE Sanitarium is now open for patients. Several are already availing themselves of the benefits to be obtained, and those who have been waiting for its completion need wait no longer. A consecrated corps of nurses have been selected to administer to the wants of the patients. It is hoped that this institution, which has been planted for the Lord's work, will indeed prove a blessing to suffering humanity.

NOTICE TO TENT COMPANIES.

I WOULD like to say a few words through the BULLETIN, to those who still have tents in the field. Before you take down your tents, note carefully their condition, and send them to C. W. LARSON. In sending in tents, do not put any small tents in the sack with the forty-foot tents. If you put the small tents in large sacks, mark them "small tents." The last few years, at camp-meeting time we have had to look through all the large sacks to hunt out the small tents, finding perhaps eight or ten small tents in the sacks along with the large ones, and not a mark to indicate that there were any small tents in those sacks. You can see at once the amount of work this causes. Do not send any stakes of any description, except those used in staking the big tent. Some have already sent in the stakes used in seating their large tent. The way freights are at the present time, paying freight into Des Moines and out to the field again costs as much, or more, as it would to buy the lumber. Take the bell from off the post before shipping.

J. W. DORCAS.

APPOINTMENTS.

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| RINGSTED, | Oct. 14, 15, | 1899. |
| Parkersburg, | " 21—23, | " |
| | P. A. HANSEN. | |

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

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| DAVENPORT, | Oct. 14, 15, | 1899. |
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The ordinances will be celebrated, and officers elected for another year.

T. F. KENDALL, *Elder*.

No preventing providence, I expect to be at Sigourney for quarterly meeting services Oct. 21, 22. We hope that all the members will be present or report.

W. M. ADAMS, *Elder*.

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| ATALISSA, | Oct. 21, 22, | 1899. |
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We have the promise that an ordained minister will be present. The ordinances will be celebrated, and a Sabbath-school convention will be held Sunday. We trust that brethren from Wilton, Muscatine, and Iowa City, or any others who can, will meet with us.

E. H. ADAMS.