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### TO-DAY.

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Unsullied, comes to thee,—new born;  
To-morrow is not thine;  
The sun may cease to shine  
For thee ere earth shall greet its morn.

Be earnest, then, in thought and deed,  
Nor fear approaching night;  
Calm comes the evening light,  
And hope and peace. Thy duty heed  
To-day.

—Selected.

### A RECOMMENDATION.

I WISH to call especial attention again to the resolution passed at the late council of the Conference Committee recommending that our Conference workers engage in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" from now until camp-meeting. This might seem to some like pushing one line of work to the neglect of others. It was not the intention to neglect any important work in the Conference; but it was thought that the book work was the most important work for this time, and that without a vigorous effort in this direction we could not expect to accomplish what we have undertaken to do. It might be well to read again carefully the resolution as published in the BULLETIN of Feb. 12, 1901:—

*Resolved.* That all the Conference workers, especially the licensed ministers and missionaries, and all our people, engage heartily from now until camp-meeting in the disposition of the large number of "Christ's Object Lessons" which have been ordered.

We trust that this action may meet the minds of our dear fellow workers in Iowa, and that with a united effort, and the blessing of God, we shall be able to accomplish our part of the work in this direction. C. A. WASHBURN.

### IMMEDIATE ACTION IS NEEDED.

ON account of the near approach of spring work, and the immediate need of money by our college, we call attention to the necessity of prompt action where there are books yet on hand. Please do not allow the spring rush to find you with books unsold. We hope that every superintendent will encourage the sale at once of all books on hand. We especially request all who can, to send the money for books when ordered, and thus assist the cause with the use of the means now. We do not wish to be importunate in this matter, for we know you are anxious to assist the work in every way possible. But for fear that all are not aware of the relief that early payment for books ordered, will be just now, both to our State work and to our educational institutions, we urge prompt action. May the Lord prosper every effort, and especially open the way for all to do their part at this time.

E. E. GARDNER.

For Conference Committee.

### "BUILDING THE WALL."

PLEASE read Neh. 4:1-8. There never was a time when God began a special work, that Satan has not conspired against it to hinder. "Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan came also among them." Here we see that when God's sons came to counsel with him, Satan is present, caring for his own interests. Satan goes and to and fro in the earth and

walks up and down in it. Peter tells us his object: "The devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." But John says, "For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil." When Jesus came to do this work, how long was it until Satan began to hinder? The devil put it into the heart of Herod to kill the child Jesus; and in the wilderness he sought to frustrate the plan of salvation. When Michael came for the body of Moses, Satan disputed his right to take it. When Joshua came before the angel for help, Satan was there to resist him. So it ever has been, and ever will be, in this world,—"Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." When, after the people of God had been in bondage, in debt, because of their failure to hearken to the Lord's prophets, the set time to favor Zion had come, for Jerusalem to be rebuilt and safely walled, the heathen were enraged. As it was then, will it not be now? Because of our failure to hearken to the voice of God through his servants, we have gotten into debt. The time having come to lift this great burden, to roll back the reproach, to rebuild Jerusalem and to wall it about, the Sanballats, Tobiahs, Arabians, Ammonites, and Ashdodites of to-day will become very wroth. They will mock and conspire together to fight against and to hinder us. In what experience of the Jews in rebuilding Jerusalem do we get hope?—"We made our prayer unto our God, and set a watch against them day and night, because of them. . . . And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work." "So we built the wall; . . . for the people had a mind to

work." A precious hope! Notwithstanding all of the opposition, the wall was built. So now, if we make our prayer unto God, and every one gets to his work, the wall will be built,—the debt paid. May every one of us come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty. This was the secret of their success, and it will be the secret of ours at this very important time. Thanks be to the Lord that the time to favor Zion, yea, the set time, is come.

E. H. ADAMS.

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WHAT OTHERS SAY.

THE brethren and sisters of the Ladoga society have found it a help to them in the work for "Christ's Object Lessons" to secure recommendations from resident pastors in their territory. We give below what two of them have to say of the book:—

This is to certify that I have examined the book entitled "Christ's Object Lessons," and find the work written on excellent paper, and in a simple, yet charming, style. The author is true to the Scripture in her interpretation of the parables. I most gladly commend this work to every lover of truth, especially to homes where there are children. A book of this kind is of untold blessing in its blessed influence upon the youth. Money can never be spent more profitably than for this book.

[Signed]

Pastor Baptist Church.

Bedford, Iowa.

I have examined Mrs. White's book and was delighted with her exposition of the parables of the Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin, and the Prodigal Son, making a strong spiritual application to each as she does. If all other chapters are as full of the gospel as these, the book is a very valuable one.

[Signed]

Pastor Presbyterian Church.

Bedford, Iowa.

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"WHY STAND YE ALL THE DAY IDLE?"

No words can express the importance of the truths applicable to the present time. Their acceptance will secure to each an immortal existence, complete in happiness; while those who refuse to heed the solemn warning must drink of the wine of the wrath of God, poured out without mixture, and be forever lost in the darkness and gloom of an eternal death. There is no neutral ground; we either gather with Christ or scatter abroad. It is a battle and a march toward the kingdom of God. To be inactive at such a time is as sinful in God's sight as open hostilities in ordinary times. Though results of such momentous importance follow the proclamation of this message, God has ordained that man shall be the agent to carry it to his fellowmen. The Spirit of God has brought the truth to bear upon our

hearts, revealing the only path of safety, and the fate of those who reject it. Now, the question arises, What does God require of us? Shall we be justified in remaining quietly at home, seeking our own comfort and the things of this life? The command is: "Go ye into all the world;" "freely ye have received, freely give." When imminent danger threatens any portion of the country, and lives are in peril, there are some who will spare no pains to give the warning; but now infinitely more is at stake, and who is stirred?

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My brother, my sister, why stand ye all the day idle? Are you unable to explain the truth to others?—The publications will speak for you. Are you pressed with necessary cares and burdens?—Remember the lilies of the field, the sparrows, that have neither storehouse nor barns. God careth for them; are ye not much better? Do you lack wisdom?—Ask of God, who giveth to all men liberally, and it shall be given you. The word comes to us, "Go forward." God will open the way to surmount the difficulties.—*M. L. Huntley, in Australasian Union Conference Record.*

"THE man who is a Christian can do as he pleases; but he will never please to do anything that will not please God."

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FIELD REPORTS.

DISTRICT NO. TWO.

I HAVE visited the churches in the central part of this district, Bro. C. W. Neal those in the western part, and Bro. W. M. Adams those in the eastern part. A willingness to do all they possibly could to help pay the debt and let our burdened schools go free, was manifested in most places by both old and young. We probably have had about the same experiences that others have. For instance: In one church an elderly sister said she knew she could not sell books. But after some persuasion she decided to try, although not expecting to make any sales. She went out, and in a short time sold three books, which pleased her very much.

I started around on the second trip about Jan. 10. Most of the churches had done fairly well, having sold about half of the books ordered. It is easy to find excuses for not going out; but, dear brethren, let us put our shoulder to the wheel, and keep right

at it until the work is done. Prof. P. T. Magan said in one of his letters to me: "We have lots of hard work before us. We cannot expect to get rid of all of our debts in a day; and it will take steady, sober, business-like work to accomplish this." Some have sold their quota, but let us not stop there. Rather, let us keep this work in mind, and whenever we have opportunity take advantage of it. Thus may the book work be kept to the front.

W. L. MANFULL.

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WEST GROVE.

ELD. H. NICOLA held meetings Feb. 9-13, with the West Grove church at Harmony schoolhouse, three miles east of town. There was a good outside attendance, and the house, which is a large one, was well filled each evening. Several persons from Mark, five miles south, at which place Bro. H. M. J. Richards and W. E. Perrin held a series of meetings five years ago, were present at the last meeting. Good attention was given to the word spoken, and many expressed regret that the meetings could not be continued. I believe that good might be done here by a series of meetings, and trust that we may be favored with help in the near future.

A. W. CARPENTER.

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OSCEOLA.

OUR school closed Friday, Feb. 15. We had a four months' term, and all seemed to enjoy the school very much. All are anxious for another school next year, and I trust that they may not be disappointed. Our attendance was somewhat irregular, owing to sickness; but all have done real well, and felt loth to have the term close so soon.

I am now at home preparing to go to College View and enter the training class for teachers. I would enjoy hearing from all the teachers through the BULLETIN.

PAUL CURTIS.

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EDDYVILLE.

THE Eddyville church was favored with a visit from Eld. J. W. Adams and Bro. W. M. Adams Feb. 16 and 17. Five meetings were held, and the ordinances were celebrated. Our hearts were made to rejoice as the Spirit of the Lord came in and the powers of darkness were driven back. We press on with new courage. W. M. Adams was chosen as elder; James Bowles, deacon; C. Burt, treasurer; Eva Bowles, clerk. MAGGIE WATKINS.

## DAVIS CITY.

BRO. F. L. MOODY has been holding meetings in a schoolhouse near our place for about four weeks. The attendance and interest has been good until the last few days, and the people have been deeply stirred by the truths presented. Of late the mud and rough roads have hindered somewhat. The blessing of the Lord has been manifest in all the preaching, and people are earnestly studying their Bibles to see "whether these things were so." A man and his wife and one other lady, who are good substantial people, have decided to obey. Others seem to be almost ready to unite with us. The meetings here have stirred up an interest in other places near by. A Baptist church two and one-half miles west has been offered to Bro. Moody. We hope some meetings can be held there in the spring.

We are doing what we can in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." All of our neighbors who have taken the book are well pleased with it. We are of good courage. PLEASANT KIRK,

Feb. 20.

## OBITUARY.

WARNER—Died at Wadena, Iowa, Jan. 23, 1901. Mrs. Nina Warner, aged 25 years, 10 months, and 23 days.

Nina Church was born near Bethlehem, Wayne Co., Iowa, March 11, 1875. She was converted at an early age, and joined the S. D. Adventist church at Confidence, Iowa. In the summer of 1899 she became acquainted with Irvin W. Warner while he was canvassing in the neighborhood of her home, and was married to him Feb. 14, 1900. Nina lived a consistent Christian life, and was esteemed by those who knew her. The funeral services were held in the Union church, and words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Eccl. 7:2. At this time of bereavement, the "blessed hope" of soon being permitted to clasp glad hands with the loved companion, daughter, and sister, served to steal from sorrow its bitterest pang. We laid her away with the blessed assurance that she sleeps in Jesus. Especially comforting to the father, husband, brothers, and sister, are the words of the Spirit: "Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them." C. T. ADAMS.

## THE BOOK WORK.

## MISSIONARY CANVASSERS.

WE have had placed before us in our canvassing class, the great principles that the Spirit of God has revealed through his servant regarding this branch of the work. We are told that "Very much more efficient work can be done in the canvassing field than has yet been done. He who called the fishermen of Galilee is still calling men and women to his service, and he is just as willing to manifest his power through us as through the first disciples." To those to whom he has revealed light and truth, he says: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel." Every Christian is called to make known the "unsearchable riches of Christ."

"The canvassing work, properly conducted, is missionary work of the highest order. We can not too highly estimate the work of bringing before the people those books which are necessary to their spiritual education and enlightenment. He who takes up the work of canvassing as he should, must be both an educator and a student. While he tries to teach others, he must learn to do the work of an evangelist. If he meets with trials and temptations, let him profit by them, learning to lean more decidedly upon God. The angels of God are with him, both in time of encouragement and in time of discouragement."

As we go from house to house carrying the truth to the people, we will find souls who are perplexed with doubt, burdened with infirmities, weak in faith, and unable to grasp the Unseen. But a friend whom they can see, coming to them in Christ's stead, can be a connecting link to fasten their faith upon Christ. "We are to be laborers together with the heavenly angels in presenting Jesus to the world. With almost impatient eagerness the angels wait for our co-operation; for man must be the channel to communicate with man. And when we give ourselves to Christ in whole-hearted devotion, angels rejoice that they may speak through our voices to reveal God's love." MARY L. HASKELL.

*College View, Neb.*

BRO. LEWIS HILLIARD is changing his location from Algona to Grant City, thus securing the advantages of a church school. He feels that the Lord has especially opened the way for him in making this change, and expresses a renewed and most earnest determination to press forward in the canvassing work.

## THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

## HOW TO PREPARE THE LESSON.

"No excellence without great labor" is as true of Sabbath-school lesson preparation as of anything else. Any teacher who expects to succeed in interesting, profiting, and holding the class without a thorough, conscientious study of the lesson, will be disappointed; for it can't be done. From among the many plans for lesson study, we suggest the following:—

Take your Bible first. After a brief mental review of the previous lesson, read carefully the portion between, if any; then read the lesson carefully, the oftener the better. Let each reading be with some specific object in view. For example, let the first reading be for the narrative. Next, note what is said. Then note what is done, etc. Then read the parallel passages, if any, noting wherein they supplement and enforce each other. Then look up references, noting down such as will be helpful in future study, or in the class. Acquaint yourself with the date, place, lesson surroundings, etc. Now come the lesson helps. Get the very best that you can. They are numerous and inexpensive. Study one at a time, with pencil in hand to mark any thought or reference or illustration you think will be helpful to you. Take a piece of paper that will fit your Bible, and at the top write "Review." Under this put such questions as will call out a brief review of the last lesson. Then write "Intervening History," if any time intervenes between lessons. Next comes the "Approach," which means the place, time, surroundings, etc. Then the "Lesson Analysis or Outline." Under this head write your questions; ask many easy questions. Put in the references needed, also some word or sign to call to mind any illustrations you wish to use. Always prepare more than you expect to use. Last comes the "Application." This is the most important part. All previous preparation should be with this in mind. Make this the climax of every lesson.

All this work should be done as early in the week as possible, and reviewed in the mind daily. If there is a teachers' meeting within your reach, attend it regularly. Listen, think, ask questions. Try to become so familiar with your plan that you can follow it without the paper or anything but the Bible. Finally, let the last hour you put upon the lesson be with the Bible, and with earnest prayer for God's illumination upon it. A lesson prepared thus will be taught with power, interest, and profit.—*Sel.*

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—BRO. A. W. H. MILLIARD, of Osceola, called while in the city last Monday.

—MISS LETTIE FERGUSON, of the Hygienic Cafe, is spending a couple of weeks at her home in Pella.

—BRO. A. F. FERGUSON, of Sandyville, remembered us with a visit while in the city last week.

—ELD. E. E. GARDNER held meetings with the church at Ames last Sabbath, Eld. J. W. Adams joining him on Sunday.

—WE are glad to say that Sister Emma Beaman was able to resume her duties last week in our church school here.

—BEN. N. C. BERGERSEN and J. W. Dorcas visited the church at Grinnell last week in the interests of the book work.

—BRO. AND SISTER C. H. HENRY, formerly of Brighton, meet with us in church service. Bro. Henry is working in the city in the interests of the Sanitarium Bakery.

—WORD has been received here that Bro. U. P. Long, of Muscatine, having recently suffered two severe hemorrhages of the lungs, has been advised by his physician to locate in a milder climate.

—BRO. C. T. ADAMS went last Sunday to Sandyville, where he will conduct meetings for the youth during the last week of the church school. He will also assist in the work for "Christ's Object Lessons."

—BRO. W. L. MANFULL spent a short time in Des Moines last week while on his way to Winterset, meeting with the church at Afton last Sabbath. He is now with the canvassers in their institute at College View.

—WE were much gratified in having our District Superintendent, Eld. J. H. Morrison, with us for a few days. He occupied the time in our Sabbath forenoon services, taking as his text Jno. 17:21. He left this city yesterday for Sandyville.

—MISS MARY SMITH came to Des Moines last Sunday from College View, Neb., going from here to visit friends at Knoxville. She is on her way to Chicago, where she expects to take a course of instruction in medical missionary and city mission work.

—BRO. AND SISTER JAMES WEIEN have recently moved from Corley, Iowa, to Ottawa, Kansas. They write that as they go among strangers they shall be more anxious than ever before to receive our State paper. They also wish us to request the other members of the BULLETIN family to remember them in prayer. Letters from any of their "dear old friends" will be appreciated.

—ELD. J. S. HART writes that on account of a smallpox epidemic, it was decided to close the meetings near Blencoe. Bro. T. H. Jeys returned home to continue in the work for "Christ's Object Lessons," and Eld. Hart is visiting among the churches at Onawa, Castana, and Smithland.

—BUSINESS at the Sanitarium Bakery continues good. On a recent Monday, orders and counter sales amounted to \$61.29. Just recently a nice order was received from the Mt. Vernon (Ohio) Academy. Send to this Office for price lists.

—THE Modale Society having disposed of all of their first order of one hundred "Christ's Object Lessons," write for fifty more, saying, "Please send as soon as possible, as we are in need of them."

—AT the closing meeting near Blencoe five orders were taken for "Christ's Object Lessons," and the people voluntarily handed Eld. Hart a donation of \$1.65.

—A RECENT communication from Prof. W. T. Bland states that about four hundred students are in attendance at Union College.

### SANITARIUM NOTES.

MISS MABEL WILLS, of Ames, came last Friday, to remain with her mother for a time.

FIVE new patients were registered last week, among them Sister Lily Crouse, of Parkersburg.

BRO. WILL MARLIN returned last week, bringing his mother to receive the benefit of Sanitarium treatment and care.

SISTER J. B. WANDERLICK returned to her home in the city last Friday, and is making a very encouraging recovery.

BRO. J. H. WILLS exchanged greetings with the Sanitarium helpers and friends last Monday. He remembers with much gratitude the benefit received during his six months' stay here last year.

DR. ENMA PERRINE, of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, came last Friday to connect with this institution.

DR. AMELIA ZIPF, who has been engaged in field work in our State, has accepted a position in the South Lancaster (Mass.) Sanitarium, and will now confine her efforts exclusively to institutional work.

### CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

ATTENTION is again called to the church school institute to be held at Union College during the spring term. The date of opening is March 6, to continue to May 28. Terms: Tuition, \$3.50 per month; board and room rent, \$5.00 to \$8.00, with private families; all expenses for tuition, room, washing, etc., at College, \$10.00 per month, with board on the European plan at two cents per dish. For further particulars, address Prof. W. T. Bland, College View Neb.

### BUSINESS NOTICES.

UNDER this head, short business notices will be inserted at twenty-five cents per issue.

WANTED.—A good experienced farm hand for the coming season,—a Sabbath-keeper. Address A. A. Bopp, Riverton, Iowa, Box 184.

FOR SALE.—One tent, 14 ft. x 18 ft., with 6 ft. wall, made of 10 ounce army duck. Has good fly, and all is in good condition. A bargain. Also a good cook-stove, with reservoir, range pattern, new last fall. Wm. Guthrie, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

FOR SALE.—Several small tracts of timber land, also a few neat homes with one to ten acres of land, near a good church school. References, Elds. E. E. Gardner and J. W. Adams, Des Moines, Iowa. Address C. Pelmulder and Sons, Grant City, Iowa.

WANTED.—By the Grant City Nursery, Grant City, Iowa, two S. D. Adventist canvassers to represent us in the field. We will pay salary and expenses. Brethren intending to plant nursery stock this spring, should write the Grant City Nursery, Grant City, Iowa, for prices.

FOR RENT.—I have for rent a good, seven room house, with hard and soft water in the kitchen, good cellar, twelve apple trees bearing, grapes, and other small fruit, good barn, and chicken house and park. Located in south-western part of the town of Stuart, Iowa. I will rent it for one or more years. There are three-fifths of an acre of ground. Wm. Guthrie, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

### APPOINTMENTS.

SIoux CITY,	March 1-5, 1901.
SIoux Rapids,	" 8-11, "
	J. S. HART.

HAWKEYE,	March 1-3, 1901.
Waukon,	" 8-10, "
Can our brethren at Waukon arrange to meet us at Postville on Thursday, March 7, and take us by team to Waukon?	
	C. A. WASHBURN, N. M. JORGENSEN.