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WISHING.

Do you wish the world were better?
Let me tell you what to do:
Set a watch upon your actions,
Keep them always straight and true;
Rid your mind of selfish motives,
Let your thoughts be clean and high.
You can make a little Eden
Of the sphere you occupy.

—Selected.

FROM OUR DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT.

It is not necessary for me to tell our brethren and sisters that I am anxious to see the work in Iowa move along; for you all know that your cause is my cause, your interest my interest, and your work my work. I shall not soon forget the enthusiasm manifested on the part of the representatives of your Conference, at a session held during the State meeting last fall in the interests of "Christ's Object Lessons." And now I begin to query as to what has been done to carry into effect the good resolutions passed so heartily at that meeting. I will write freely, feeling quite sure that I shall not be regarded by the officers who have been appointed to execute all such plans, as an officious meddler offering gratuitous advice, since they have urged me to say something on this line.

You all remember the great care used in apportioning territory among the workers, with superintendents at the heads of the different districts, thus organizing thoroughly, so that the work might be carried on in the

best possible way. After freely deciding that Iowa would dispose of her share of the 300,000 books, an order was at once filed for 10,000 copies. About three fourths of these have been sent out into your Conference territory, but returns have been received for only about 1,200. Where are the remainder of them? Have they been sold and the money withheld?—No; none of our Iowa S. D. A. people would do that. Are they in the hands of the brethren, waiting for some one to come along and ask for them? Or are our brethren waiting for a more convenient season in which to do this work,—for spring to come when everybody will be busy with their farm work?—Hardly. Will it be necessary for a minister to hold a revival first, in order to build up your church? The only way for the church to be revived is for each member to take hold of the first duty that is presented, not looking for other duties until the first is performed. The great difficulty with many of us is that we wait for some one else to come along and do the work God wants us to do. Remember that the "word of his grace" is "able to build you up" (Acts 20:32); and this word says, "Blessed are they that do." Rev. 22:14. In some of our churches where the members have gone to work, more has been done in the way of building up an interest than any minister could accomplish in a month. A revival will be the result of active service for the Lord as he may direct.

Those who expect to spend several months in selling a few books should pay cash down for them, so that the money may be sent to the relief of our college, and even that would be a very small donation to make to such an institution. But let me say that while the college needs the money badly,

you are much more in need of the experience of doing something. Surely, the workers who have been appointed in the different districts, to go out with the brethren and sisters and show them how to work, will be true to duty. It is not characteristic of the sons of Iowa to skim over the surface or leave work undone. They stick to their work; and if at first they don't succeed, they "try, try again." It is not enough to get a church to order the books, but the workers should see that they are sold. A good way would be for each superintendent with his helpers to divide up the district into little companies with leaders, and go right out into the field to work. Leave no stone unturned. New issues may come up at the General Conference which will interfere with this work to some extent.

Nebraska and Kansas have each sent in two thousand dollars to Union College, and report about five hundred more on hand. They have no better territory nor better workers, neither did they get a better start. They have just kept at the work, giving it a steady push from the first. Although there may be circumstances in every Conference to hinder, let none of us stop to justify ourselves; for as Job 9:20 says, "Mine own mouth shall condemn me." Let us push all the harder; and as each one leans out to push, the man next to him will be pushed out, and he in turn will push the next man, until the effect will be felt all along the line, and soon the desired result will be accomplished.

J. H. MORRISON.

"To be able to triumph over the ills of life with a patient spirit is one of the surest evidences of a great mind."

"CHRIST's healing is complete and instantaneous."

SPECIAL CLUB RATES ON THE "MISSIONARY MAGAZINE."

From this time forward the *Missionary Magazine* will be furnished in clubs to one address at the following rates: At 35 cents a year, if the number in the club equals the number of resident families in the church; at 40 cents a year, if the number in the club equals three-fourths of the number of resident families in the church; at 45 cents a year, if the number in the club equals one-half of the number of resident families in the church. Those who are already subscribers may be counted in deciding to which club you are entitled. Such may be added to the club when their individual subscriptions expire, at the rate of three cents a month, until the club expires, when all can be renewed together. Isolated families, who can not order with the church club, can secure the *Missionary Magazine* at 35 cents a year by ordering a club of five or more to one address. There is scarcely a family that can not secure four subscriptions to this missionary journal, and delivering them monthly may open the way for further missionary work. No church in our Conference should be without a club, and no family should be allowed to go without the *Missionary Magazine*. If any questions arise concerning the club rates, write us. Order through Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

"WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT BY US."

Report for Quarter Ending Dec. 31, 1900:—

No. of societies.....	117
" " reporting.....	95
" " members reporting.....	697
" " Sabbath-schools reporting.....	4
" " isolated members reporting.....	30
" " letters written.....	612
" " letters received.....	433
" " Bible readings held.....	770
" " subscriptions for periodicals.....	265
" " periodicals distributed.....	23,662
" " pp. reading matter distributed.....	421,824
" " missionary visits made.....	1,635
" " hours spent in Christian Help work.....	2,217
" " articles of clothing supplied.....	840
" " persons supplied with food.....	514
" " Reading Circle members.....	300

"A good report maketh the bones fat."

With the exception of two items, we find a decided increase in all lines of missionary work during the quarter. Two small societies gave twenty-five dollars cash to relieve the destitute. A blind brother and sister gave eighteen gospel talks, distributed literature, and took five orders for "Christ's Object Lessons." A brother and sister engaged in bathroom work gave four

treatments to those unable to pay for such luxuries. Thus we see new avenues for labor opening before us as the good work goes on. As the above contains the reports of the isolated members and Sabbath-schools, it may be of interest to know what has been accomplished by them during the quarter:—

No. of reports received, 45; letters written, 20; letters received, 12; Bible readings held, 15; subscriptions obtained, 1; periodicals distributed, 5,138; pp. books, tracts, etc., distributed, 25,266; missionary visits made, 46; hours Christian help work, 208; articles of clothing given away, 51; persons supplied with food, 21.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are...of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

DELLA WALLACE, Cor. Sec.

FIELD REPORTS.

FROM OUR WORKERS IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Dear Ones All: We have been thinking of you, wishing you might be here to enjoy the sunny South with us. The Lord has greatly blessed us, both spiritually and physically. I have gained sixteen pounds since coming here, and Sister Minnie is also gaining, but not so fast. Considerable work has been done in this city; but the Lord opened the way to sell three hundred copies of *Good Health*, besides taking subscriptions, etc., the proceeds to be used in helping support a gospel evangelist among the mountaineers in this State. We had expected to canvass for "Christ's Object Lessons," but a city license of ten dollars per year is demanded, and we have sold only three copies. A sister here is now canvassing the city; and as the way is somewhat hedged up, Elds. Allee and Johnson have advised us to go to Hickory, N. C., a town situated near the mountains.

We had hoped to return to Wilmington, but it does not seem advisable just now. Although loth to leave, we now see the guiding hand of the Lord in it all. About the time we were taken out of Wilmington, the burden was laid upon one of our canvassers and his wife, who is an experienced Bible worker, to come to Wilmington in case they could have a little help financially. A few days later money came from Bro. and Sister Newby, of Davenport, to

pay their transportation, also one hundred dollars to help complete the new church at Hildebran, N. C. Truly, the Lord is good and "greatly to be praised." Just before we left Wilmington, Bro. and Sister F. W. Patterson, of Des Moines, sent us twenty-five dollars to be used as the Lord directed. We learned through our State agent of one of our canvassers who was preparing to walk one hundred miles to his field of labor, and five dollars of the above was given for his fare, and his family was also remembered. May the Lord continue to bless each donor. I am sure souls will be saved in the kingdom as results of their sacrifice. We always send an itemized account and a receipt to donors, so that each will know just how each dollar has been spent. A reading rack is now in the main depot of the city, which requires one hundred and fifty papers per week.

The little company here are encouraged by our stay among them. Rich blessings await a consecrated man and his wife who will come and be an under-shepherd to this little company and gather in others. May the Lord lay the burden of souls upon every heart who should be in this "most needy field." Both spiritual and temporal blessings are abundant. We will gladly pay the fare of a consecrated worker recommended to come to this field. A barrel of childrens' clothing (freight prepaid) could be used to good advantage. All such should be sent to Mrs. Ella V. Gardner, Spartanburg, S. C. We leave here to-morrow for our new field of labor. We often long for that "home where changes never come," but we are happy to be in this good field. MOLLIE R. LONG.

Feb. 25.

AMES.

It was my privilege to attend the meetings held at this place as appointed in the BULLETIN. Several meetings were held, and the matter of an organization was carefully considered. There had been some difficulties, and Satan made a desperate effort to prevent that union and harmony which are indispensable in the Lord's work. After earnest prayer and counsel, victory came, and with it the rich blessing of God. With the counsel and direction of Elds. E. E. Gardner and J. W. Adams a church of seventeen members was organized with a full set of officers. All of these except one had previously been members of some of our other

churches, and are familiar with our positions. When all difficulties had been removed, the matter of organization was quite easy. If they continue as they have begun, the Lord will bless these brethren and sisters and use them to his glory.

J. O. BEARD.

NEAR ALBIA.

JAN. 12 I began meetings in a school-house six miles west of Albia. The attendance was small at first, but gradually increased until the house was filled in favorable weather. The best of attention was given to the word spoken. Bad roads and stormy weather hindered some, and at last we found it necessary to close the meetings on account of a smallpox epidemic, several persons in the neighborhood having been exposed. I am glad to report progress in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." We know this is the work of the Lord for this time, and that every one who engages in the sale of the book will be blessed of the Lord. I disposed of eight copies in a few hours' work, and trust by the blessing of God to be able to do my part in this direction.

W. B. EVERHART.

THE BOOK WORK.

THE CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE AT UNION COLLEGE.

God has spoken in no uncertain tones to us in regard to the education of our workers and the necessity of using every means within our reach of becoming better prepared to go out and work in the Master's vineyard. This instruction those who have had the management of the institute here have tried to carry out.

Bible doctrine and the study of Daniel and the Revelation have been taken by most of the students in the regular College course. Besides this we have three regular book studies, one study in healthful living, and studies from the Testimonies. The aim has been to give such instruction as will help the worker to see that while he can do nothing of himself, the provisions and promises of God are broad enough to take in every one. By realizing this in his own experience he will be prepared to point those who are discouraged, downcast, and disheartened to the Saviour of the world.

All have expressed themselves as well pleased with the institute work here, and we believe that they are

well equipped for work this coming season. My earnest prayer is that this indeed may be true. Although trials and difficulties will come, may these only drive the worker closer to Him who never lost a battle. Some desire to remain till the school is out in the spring, and we expect quite a large class at that time to join those who start out now. May the Lord bless these faithful workers. We hope that others will be raised up to join the army of workers for the Lord.

W. L. MANFULL.

TO EVERY MAN HIS WORK.

THE multitudes are in darkness, in error, and the Lord would have the light of truth shine forth to the world. To every man is given his work. Here is a work that man can lay hold of and do. *All who will consecrate themselves to God to work as canvassers are giving the last message of warning to the world.* They will be drawn out to speak the truth, and will have opportunities to explain the word of God. In doing this itinerant work they are flashing rays of light upon the pathway of those who are in the darkness of error.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

WE are pleased to give the report from Bro. John Manuel, of Hesper, Winneshiek county. This brother, who is quite well along in years, has sold quite a large number of our denominational books in Missouri, but was obliged to stop canvassing for a time on account of poor health. He says that it is now his determination to continue in the work till the Lord comes. Bro. Cort Nielsen, who is canvassing in Story county, has put in faithful time during the two weeks reported, with very fair success for a beginner. Brethren and sisters, do you daily remember the canvassing work? and do you pray the Lord of harvest to send forth more laborers?

"THE good is an enemy of the best. It means a self satisfaction instead of progression."

CANVASSING REPORT.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
COMING KING AND GREAT CONTROVERSY.				
John Manuel.....	76	11	\$27.75	\$23.65
THE COMING KING.				
Cort Nielsen.....	70	5	\$ 5.00	\$ 1.25
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				2
" " orders.....				16
Value of ".....			\$ 32.75	
" " helps sold.....			\$ 24.90	
Total value.....			\$ 57.65	

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

WRITTEN REVIEWS, THEIR VALUE, AND HOW TO USE THEM.

SUPERINTENDENTS who are on the lookout for anything that will add to the usefulness and interest of their schools, are coming to recognize in quarterly written reviews something that will help them to keep their schools advancing. The writer, speaking from twelve years of constant use of written reviews in his school, can say that nothing has been of more benefit.

THEIR VALUE.

(1) They elevate the standard of scholarship in the school. (2) They tend to fix in the memory the instruction that has been given. (3) They enable the teacher, as well as the superintendent, to know the extent and character of instruction given. (4) They are very helpful to the superintendent as a means of grading the school.

HOW TO USE THEM.

There are various ways of using them. Some schools use them on review day at the school hour. This, in my opinion, is not the best way. They should be given out the week preceding review day. Every officer, teacher, and adult member should be expected to answer the questions, and unless they are willing to do it, the success of the review will not be very great.

If the school is not too large, the superintendent will find it exceedingly helpful and profitable to examine these papers himself. It is a good plan to mark each incorrect answer with a colored pencil, and return the paper to the scholar.

MARION LAWRENCE.

"OUR present lessons for the children from the book of Numbers may be made very interesting to the little folks. Every teacher should study the geography of these lessons, and draw a map on slate, blackboard, or paper, for the class. Get your children to draw maps and bring them to you. Study how to illustrate every lesson by maps, pictures, or objects of some kind."

"A COCKLEFISH may as soon try to crowd the ocean into its narrow shell as a vain man to comprehend the degrees of God."

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DES MOINES, IOWA, MARCH 5, 1901.

—THE offer to send the *Signs of the Times* and WORKERS' BULLETIN, both for one year, to new subscribers for the *Signs*, at \$1.50, will continue during the month of March only.

—MRS. MAE DROWN, of Sloan, wishes to thank those who have so kindly furnished her with papers for the rack. The papers may now be addressed to Clara Peterson, Albaton, Iowa.

—MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS, of this city, is visiting her parents and other relatives at Cedar Rapids and vicinity. She will also attend several Sabbath-school conventions while in that part of the State.

—BRO. PARK ADAMS writes from Mills county, Feb. 15: "I am still canvassing for 'Christ's Object Lessons,' and have nearly reached the eightieth order. I expect to exceed that considerably before the close of this week."

—*Apples of Gold Library* No. 68 is entitled "Food; Its Mental and Moral Value," by Mrs. Mina Mann. A treatise on food from the standpoint of temperance, set forth in plain, every-day language. Price, 1/2 cent per copy.

—READ carefully the instructions concerning club rates on the *Missionary Magazine*. This plan has been devised with the hope that every S. D. Adventist family may have the reading of this very interesting and instructive magazine. No one who wishes to be informed in regard to our work in foreign lands can do without it.

—MRS. A. C. SHERIDAN, of Center-ville, reports twenty copies "Christ's Object Lessons" sold and delivered. She says: "The Lord helped me every step. I showed the book; he did the rest. To him be all the praise." Although only a few members remain at that place, some of whom have been sick, all but eight of the fifty copies sent them had already been sold.

—A GENTLEMAN who had bought "Object Lessons" of one of our brethren and was greatly pleased with it, on meeting this same brother a few days later, on a load of hay, thus accosted him: "Ah, Mr. —, you ought to be out canvassing for that book instead of hauling hay." The one relating this adds, "If this is the advice of one who knows not the truth, what should our attitude be?"

—BRO. THOS. MOORE, a busy farmer of Monona county, has sold twenty-four copies "Christ's Object Lessons" in about four days, including the time spent in going to his territory, some of which was twelve miles away. One old gentleman, not rich in this world's goods, said he would not wait till the time for delivery, so one was left with him; and true to his word in about a week he came to pay for it, saying that it was the best book he had ever read, and that every family in the neighborhood should have one.

—Now is the time to renew your subscription to the *General Conference Bulletin*. Subscription price for two years, 75 cents; daily issues during the General Conference, 50 cents.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

FOUR new patients were received last week.

BRO. W. E. FREDERICK spent last Sabbath with his family at Stuart.

BRO. J. W. BIGGS returned to his home at Winterset last Wednesday.

BRO. AND SISTER M. E. BROWN, of Sharpsburg, were guests at the Sanitarium last Thursday night.

ENCOURAGING improvement is reported in the case of Judge Casady, Pres. Des Moines Savings Bank, an outside patient, who has been under the care of Bro. J. C. Barcus for the past four weeks.

MISS ELIZA JONES, of Storm Lake, stopped at the Sanitarium last Thursday night. She was returning home from a visit with her sister Miss Mamie, who is teaching a church school at Joplin, Missouri.

PLEASE READ.

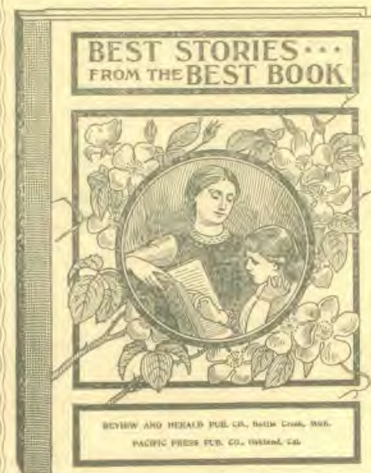
CORRESPONDENCE Department of the Medical Missionary Training School! Have you heard of it? But whether you have or not, we wish to assure you that it is worthy of your thoughtful consideration. For more than two years this course has been carried on, and scores of persons have availed themselves of it for the purpose of gaining much useful knowledge. It embraces studies on eleven different subjects. Lessons are sent to students weekly. We shall organize a new class in April, and shall be glad to hear from all those interested. Send for descriptive circular giving full particulars. Address Correspondence Department Medical Missionary Training School, Battle Creek, Mich.

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BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

WANTED.—A young man to work on the farm for the season. Will pay good wages. Must be a Sabbath-keeper. Address Henry Hanson, Orsland, Buena Vista Co., 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.

APPOINTMENTS.

RUTHVEN, March 9, 10, 1901.

A general attendance of all friends of the cause is desired. A minister is expected to be with us.

HENRY BARLOW, Elder.

By invitation of friends, I will hold meetings at

Urbana, March 13-18, 1901.
Traer, " 19-25, "
Delmar, " 26-31, "

A full attendance is expected.

H. NICOLA.