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OUR BURDEN-BEARER.

God does not desire that his children should carry burdens which make life bitter, but asks us to cast them upon him,—the soul's true rest. The Word of God was written from the experiences of human life, as well as by inspiration of the Spirit; and thus it is that it is so well adapted to all conditions of humanity. One of the great facts in life is that it is full of burdens,—of disappointment, of falsity of friends, of persecution and oppression by enemies,—and all the result of sin. The ills of life, sickness, bereavement, losses, etc., are burdens which are hard to bear. But the Bible points us to the great burden-bearer, who is both willing and able to carry our burdens for us.

In the Psalms there is suggested both a false method and a true one of escaping our burdens. When David had uttered his complaint before the Lord concerning the oppression of the wicked, he exclaimed: "Oh, that I had wings like a dove: for then would I fly away, and be at rest. Lo, then would I wander far off, . . . and remain in the wilderness. Selah. I would hasten my escape from the windy storm and tempest." But we do not escape our burdens by running away into the wilderness; no "wings of a dove" can carry us far enough to escape the burdens of life. The sweet singer of Israel

came to know the truth of this by experience, for he afterward cried out: "As for me I will call upon God; and the Lord shall save me. Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud, and he shall hear my voice." This is the true and only effective way of escaping from the burdens of life. "Cast thy burdens upon the Lord, and he shall sustain thee; he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved." Since the days of the Psalmist, many a believer has realized the truthfulness of this statement. When, from burdens almost unbearable all other means of relief have failed, they have cast themselves upon the Lord, and he has sustained them.

In what way may we cast our burdens upon the Lord? In the first place, many of the phantoms which seem like burdens disappear when we bring them before the Lord, even as do the spectres of night at the dawning of day; all imaginary ills and afflictions vanish when we bring them into the light of his presence. But there are burdens which are not phantoms; and the burdensome part of these burdens, which is our inability to carry them, is what we may cast upon the Lord. This we may do by seeking strength from him with which to bear the burdens themselves. And which is better, that the burdens be removed, or that we receive strength to bear them? Certainly the latter is better for us. Who can say but that this is the very reason burdens are laid upon us, that we may seek for added strength from God? "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The Word became flesh and dwelt among us, sharing our human experiences, feeling the pressure of our burdens, and knowing the bitterness of our sorrow. It is from the depths of these experiences that he

utters this invitation which has been a balm to burdened and sin-wounded souls through all the centuries that have passed since. To all who are burdened, he extends his sweet invitation, "I will give you rest."

Is not this what we all desire? Are we not heart-weary with sin and its buffetings? Do we not long for a truer and better life than we ever have lived? Do not our souls long to be bathed "in seas of heavenly rest." The truth which Christ would teach us is that we are not to wait until we enter another world for rest, but that we may find it here, even now, by taking his yoke, adopting his plan of life, and learning of him. Oh, that we might all come to Christ in simple faith, that he might teach us the secret of peace and happiness!
L. F. STARR.

THE RELIEF OF OUR SCHOOLS.

The plan for relieving our schools by means of "Christ's Object Lessons" was carefully and fully presented before the General Conference by Prof. P. T. Magan. We can give only a few of the points made: "One year ago at this time practically nothing had been done, and the debt upon our colleges amounted to three hundred and thirty thousand dollars, the interest aggregating about sixteen thousand and five hundred dollars per year. . . . I am thankful to say that the ever rising tide of debt has been stayed, and not only stayed, but turned. Some substantial work has already been done, and the debts are considerably smaller than when the work began. . . . I believe that we will agree upon one thing, and that is that God has several purposes in this matter. First, he wants to bring relief to our schools. Second, he desires that the disgrace which has been against the name of the

denomination, be wiped away, and the reproach be lled back. Third, he wants to bind the hearts of his people everywhere more closely to this educational work in its grand reform phases of the last days. Fourth, he wants to bring our people everywhere back to the old-time spirit of selling our literature, and teach us that every soul, even the children, can scatter precious pages, and thus carry the truth to the world. Lastly, God designs that this work bless not only the people of the world, but also that it bless us, and assist in our sanctification and preparation for the kingdom....

"Actual sales accounted for have been made to the number of 46,553 books; value, \$58,925.00. There have been most encouraging reports from the churches which have taken hold actively in this movement. We believe that with the fear of God in our hearts, and hope and courage and loyalty to this message burning in our souls, if our ministers will work diligently to educate the church members to take hold of the sale of our publications once more, we can sell millions of pages where we are now selling thousands."

That the plan is of heavenly origin can not be doubted. The following words from the lips of God's servant should inspire our hearts with renewed faith and courage and urge us to most earnest action:—

"We rejoice that our Conference and tract society officers have given their influence and energy to this grand enterprise; and that ministers, Bible workers, colporteurs, and church members have engaged so heartily in the special effort for the speedy relief of our schools. The generous, whole-hearted way in which our publishing houses and the brethren and sisters in general have taken hold, is well pleasing to the Lord. It is in accordance with his plan... Recently I have been shown again and again that it is the angels of God who make the impression on human hearts. In the night season I was laboring with the problem of the relief of our schools, not knowing how to answer the letters written to me in regard to the situation. I fell asleep, and the angel of God seemed to stand beside me, saying, Donate to the cause of education the book 'Christ's Object Lessons.' This so startled me that I awoke. And Oh, I was so grateful to the Lord for the light he had given me regarding what I could do to help free our schools from debt! It was only twelve o'clock, but I could stay in bed

no longer. I arose and began writing something of what must be done. I feel like shedding tears of joy when I think of what God has permitted me to do for the schools... You do not know how much influence the Lord places behind this book. You do not know how he speaks through it to the hearts and minds of men and women. But you may know that you are doing the work he wishes you to do. I know that I did what he wanted me to do in giving this book to the schools, and I have been happy ever since. You will be happy if you do his will. You will find that his yoke is easy and his burdens are light... Let the work of relieving our schools go steadily forward. Work to the point, and the blessing of God will rest upon you... Let not one minister think that to sell our books is too humiliating a work. Too humiliating a work! Not at all... By this work the light of truth is shed abroad in the world."

DUBUQUE.

The work at Dubuque is onward. All are of good courage, and seem to realize the importance of walking in the light. One reason for this is that all are doing something to bring the light to others and with good results, which is very encouraging. On March 16 I had the privilege of burying seven persons in baptism, and on the following Sabbath one more. Forty names are now enrolled on the church book. Just previous to leaving to labor in another part of the State, we held our quarterly meeting, as we will not have the privilege of meeting with them again soon.

G. R. HAWKINS,
EMMA HAWKINS.

OBITUARY.

LINDAHL.—Died at Kelley, Iowa, April 2, 1901. Mrs. Anna Lindahl, aged 80 years, 5 months, and 12 days.

Sister Lindahl was born in Roskilde Sjælland, Denmark, and came to the United States, settling in Iowa, in 1883. Here she and her husband learned of present truth, and in 1885 began to observe the Sabbath of the Lord. For fifty-three years she suffered much with rheumatism, crippled in both hands and feet during all these years. As age advanced the disease attacked the vital organs, finally settling in the region of the heart; and it was this, with old age, that caused her death. Her husband died five and one-half years ago, and of five children, only one, Bro. Peter Lindahl, who is well known in Iowa, survives her. She was patient in her suffering, and fell asleep in hope of a part in the resurrection of the just. Services were conducted by the writer, assisted by Bro. P. L. Hoen. J. O. BEARD.

NOTICE.

The first annual meeting of the Iowa Sanitarium and Benevolent Association will be held on Governor's Square, Des Moines, Iowa, Wednesday, June 5, 1901, at 4 P. M., Standard time, for the purpose of electing a Board of seven trustees and for the transaction of any other business that may legally come before the association.

By order of the Board,

C. F. STEVENS, Sec.

COMMITTEES IN CHARGE OF CAMP-MEETING WORK.

1. Camp-Meeting.—J. W. Dorcas, Wm. J. Johnson, Lewis Johnson, Henry Elde, Charles Heald, Henry Rorholm.

2. Auditing Conference Laborers' Accounts.—Conference Committee, Jacob Shively, A. J. Stiffler, J. M. Whitney, L. M. Schoberg, J. V. Vaughn, A. L. Hoyt.

3. Baggage.—G. A. Larson, Arthur McClintock.

4. Pitching and Seating Large Pavilion.—J. S. Hart, E. G. Olsen, J. W. Adams, J. O. Beard, H. Nicola, W. M. Adams, C. A. Hansen, L. P. Starr, L. F. Trubey, U. P. Long.

5. Pitching and Seating Forty-foot Tents.—C. A. Washburn, W. B. Everhart, Thos. Jeys, N. C. Bergersen, F. L. Moody, F. A. Washburn, C. J. Kunkle, P. L. Hoen.

6. Pitching Small Tents.—Wm. J. Johnson, Henry Rorholm, G. R. Hawkins, B. L. Diefenbacher, A. J. Iden, P. Park Adams, C. E. Graham, Chas. J. Goodpasture.

7. Camp-Meeting Directory and Collecting Tents.—C. W. Smouse, E. H. Adams, N. C. Bergersen.

8. Lumber.—Wm. Guthrie.

9. Furniture.—B. E. Fullmer, N. M. Jorgensen.

10. Grocery.—F. W. Patterson, J. W. Dorcas.

11. Flooring Tents.—N. L. McClintock, J. C. Clemens, A. W. Johnson, H. L. Stenberg.

12. Illuminating.—F. L. Moody, G. R. Hawkins, C. T. Adams.

13. Dining Tent.—

Mrs. Jennie Herrington.

14. Children's Meetings.—Mrs. Jessie L. Adams, Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, A. Helen Wilcox, Mrs. Mylla Snook.

15. Vocal Music.—W. M. Adams, P. Park Adams.

16. Organists.—Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, Mrs. Jessie Fullmer.

17. Reception.—C. W. Neal and wife, Mrs. Eva Jensen, Mrs. Emma Hawkins, Martha Lenz.

18. Book Tent.—C. W. Larson, Carl Jensen, W. L. Manfall.

19. Decoration and Ministers' Tents.—Henry Johnson and wife, Mrs. Bertha Jorgensen, Lizzie Carter, J. H. Wierts and wife.

20. Bell Ringing.—Peter Lindahl.

21. Auditing Conference Accounts.—C. W. Smouse, Thos. Jeys.

22. Reporting.—F. A. Washburn, L. F. Starr, L. F. Trubey.

23. Reduced Rates and Certificates.—C. F. Stevens, W. E. Frederick.

24. Youth's Meetings.—Prof. B. G. Wilkinson, L. F. Starr, U. P. Long.

[We are requested to state that the above appointments are subject to change. If there are any who can not perform the work assigned, such should correspond with Eld. E. E. Gardner, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa. The first name on the Dining Tent Committee will be given as soon as possible.—Ed.]

THE BOOK WORK.

SOME GENERAL PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE CANVASSING WORK.

(The following is a synopsis of an address by W. C. White at a canvassers' meeting held in connection with the General Conference.)

We need to study those things that will bring into the canvassing work all that the Lord wants to put into it, all that he has in reserve for it. First of all, we should put ourselves into it, and then open our hearts so that the Lord may come in and teach us how to make this work evangelical. The evangelist is reaching out to save people, and that is what the canvasser ought to do. Christ is our leader; he is our life; he is our strength; and he has ordered that everything pertaining to the salvation of men shall be done through human agents. He wants men to have a clear idea of how they should labor, and this is to be perfected by practice and by counsel with our fellow-laborers. The work of organization comes in to teach each one where and how he can work to the best advantage. We should heed the advice of our brethren, and profit by co-operation.

In some things we need to go back to first principles. "Obligations are mutual." This applies to the publishing houses, the State societies, and the agents. Take this as a text and study over it. When a young man has passed through an apprenticeship and is doing his first work as a journeyman, he must remember that when the society trusts him with territory he is under obligations to render to that society the most faithful service. No rule can be of universal application, but I can think of no circumstances where an agent should be satisfied with less than eight hours of his very best five days in the week. I believe that in most fields with most agents ten hours per day would be a better standard. But what if you find missionary work you must do? Can you not work more than fifty hours per week? Those who feel that the Lord has put upon them a work of visiting, holding Bible readings, and doing medical missionary work, will find hours for that on Sunday and in the evenings, and still put in full time at the regular book work.

I believe that the spirit of self-dependence is largely taught in the Bible. The Bible says that every man should bear his own burden. That means all he can bear. Then it speaks of every

man taking care of his own relatives. If a canvasser needs assistance, and has some one upon whom he can depend, it is better for him to ask them for assistance. Next to his relatives comes the church; and once in a while there is a case when a man is deprived of both of these, and then as a last resort he may ask assistance of the society. All Christian work is on the basis of self-sacrifice. When a man passes from the canvassing work to the ministry as a matter of sacrifice, the blessing comes with it; but when he takes up the ministry for the sake of having an easier time, he is not following in the footsteps of Christ.

We must work every avenue and every agency. While our traveling agents will probably always take the lead, we should encourage resident canvassers. The traveling men will be the cavalry upon whom we depend for the greatest execution, but we want the other men, too. Let us get all our old canvassers back into the work. If some of them are so situated that they can not leave home, we can encourage them to take up district work, and sell one book, then another, and so on. Thus while we have our field men, we also have a number doing local work. We must work both agencies.

I believe that the Lord will call some of our experienced workers to make a specialty of fitting for an attack upon our great cities, associating with them groups of young men. It will be best for those to engage in the work in our cities who are accustomed to city life, and are acquainted with the habits and customs of the people for whom they are working. God will help us in all our plans for the advancement of his work.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 12, 1901.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
DESIRE OF AGES AND COMING KING.				
O. C. Markel	11	2	\$ 6.00	\$2.39
THE COMING KING.				
Laura Berner.....	19	2	\$ 2.00	\$1.25
DESIRE OF AGES.				
Pearl D. Bascom	19	2	\$ 8.50	\$.50
HERALDS OF THE MORNING.				
J. B. Myers.....	15	2	\$ 3.00	
OBJECT LESSONS.				
*Mary L. Haskell.....	88	26	\$32.50	\$ 8.50
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	27	5	\$ 9.75	\$4.50
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				6
" " orders.....				39
Value of "			\$ 61.75	
" " helps sold			\$ 17.44	
Total value			\$ 79.19	
*Two weeks.				

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

PRIMARY TEACHING.

THE qualifications of a primary teacher are: Love for Christ and for children; common sense and good nature; firmness and patience; prayerfulness and consecration. In teaching the lesson use short, simple words, but do not talk baby lore. Children understand good language, but they do not understand long words. Lead from the known to the unknown. Question freely, but never answer a question which seems difficult: rather, vary it till an answer can be given. Keep close to your lesson; and in applying it enforce but one truth.

There are several aids to teaching which different teachers find successful: Objects,—these should be used with care and not be made too prominent lest the spiritual truths be misunderstood; the blackboard,—there is no need of elaborate drawing, for points and lines may stand for a great deal; pictures; illustrative stories,—a good story well told helps to enforce the lesson. The order of the exercises should be varied so as to hold the interest.

OUR CHILDREN.

THE Savior regards with infinite tenderness the souls whom he has purchased with his own blood. They are the claim of his love, and he looks upon them with unutterable longing. His heart is drawn out, not only to the best-behaved children, but to those who have, by inheritance, objectionable traits of character. Many parents do not understand how much they are responsible for these traits in their children. They have not the tenderness and wisdom which they should have to deal with the erring ones, whom they have made what they are. But Jesus looks upon these children with pity. He traces from cause to effect. What mother ever loved her child as Jesus loves his children? He looks upon the marred character with grief, deeper, keener, than any mother's. He sees the future retribution of an evil course of action. Then let everything be done that can be for the neglected soul. It is not yet too late for any to repent and come to Jesus and live. Mercy's time of respite is not yet exhausted. Christ is still calling, "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."—*Sel.*

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—ELD. B. L. DIEFFENBACHER went to Battle Creek a few days since to remain until the close of the General Conference.

—BRO. PETER LINDAHL, of Kelley, spent Sabbath and Sunday with his daughter Jennie, who is attending the Des Moines church school.

—THE school at Huntsville, Alabama, is in need of an organ. Any one who can furnish a second-hand instrument for use there should correspond with S. M. Jacobs, Huntsville, Alabama.

—PERMISSION has been given to place a selection of ninety of the books published by our denomination in the new library of the Baptist church at Waverly, Iowa. Those who wish to assist in purchasing these books may send their donations, large or small, to Ethan A. Brown, Waverly, Iowa.

—CAMP-MEETING time will soon be here, and our annual report to be given then must be made out by May 1. We have not yet heard from one-half of our missionary secretaries for the quarter ending March 31, 1901. Unless they send in their reports very promptly, we shall be greatly delayed with ours. We also ask that the church clerks be prompt in sending in their reports, too.

—It was a pleasure while in attendance at the General Conference to meet so many young people from Iowa who are in Battle Creek for the educational advantages afforded or are in the employ of our various institutions. Among the number are Mabel Howe, Russell and M. Alice Mantz, J. E. Heald, A. G. Larson, and George Abbott, attending the Medical College; Frank M. and Marie Wilson, Cora Shaw, Myrtle McReynolds, and John Pines, students at the College; F. F. Johnson, Clyde Graham, Ward Matherly, Dora B. Pines, Lettie Reed, Mrs. Edith Colcord-Lane, and Angie B. Colcord, connected with the Sanitarium; Lyman Graham, Adolph Pfeiffer, and Claude Holmes, in the employ of the Review and Herald Office; A. Ellona Bedwell, at the Haskell Home; Mrs. Mae Pines-Stone, a teacher in the church school; and Lucile Teeter, a stenographer in the employ of the Southern Missionary Society. There is still a place somewhere for every young man and woman who will be consecrated to the service of God.

—It will not be practicable for Sister White to attend our State camp-meeting, as had been hoped; but arrangements have been made for her to visit Des Moines on her return trip to California. She will speak in the S. D. Adventist church in this city May 4 and 5. If it is possible we will announce the time of services next week.

—ANOTHER remittance of one thousand dollars was recently sent to Union College, making a total of three thousand dollars from Iowa, proceeds from the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons."

—MRS. A. C. SHERIDAN, of Centerville, visited her parents, Eld. and Mrs. L. McCoy, during the General Conference.

—BRO. LOUIS KUESTER, of the Bakery, is spending a few days at his home at Arbor Hill.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

Two recent arrivals.

BESSIE YOUNG, one of our second-year nurses, was called out the first of the week to nurse a city patient.

THE Sanitarium physicians are glad to say that critical cases lately coming under their care are doing nicely.

BRO. C. T. ADAMS has been acting as chaplain in the absence of his father, who has attended the General Conference.

BRO. WILL MARLIN, who has been with the Sanitarium family for some time, left last Friday to take up work at Clarinda.

THE front hall-way is made more attractive by a beautiful date palm, which Mrs. Shively brought from the Battle Creek Sanitarium greenhouse.

BRO. W. E. FREDERICK, our steward, spent Sabbath and Sunday with his family at Colfax, to which place they recently removed from Stuart.

DR. AND MRS. SHIVELY, who were in attendance at the Medical Conference held at Battle Creek, Michigan, returned last Friday to their work here.

AN IOWA REUNION.

ON the evening of April 13 there gathered at the Sanitarium Nurses' Dormitory in Battle Creek, Michigan, about one hundred and forty people who esteemed it a privilege to participate in an Iowa re-union. Probably a larger number of the pioneers of the cause in Iowa have never met together on a like occasion, and it seemed a foretaste of the time referred to by the

Prophet Isaiah: "I will bring thy seed from the East, and gather thee from the West; I will say to the North, Give up; and to the South, Keep not back; bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth."

After social greetings a short service of song and prayer was conducted by Eld. C. A. Washburn, who had been asked to preside during the evening, following which impromptu speeches were made by Elds. L. McCoy, H. Nicola, R. F. Andrews, J. H. Morrison, D. T. Shireman, R. C. Porter, A. P. Heacock, C. Santee, C. F. Stevens, H. M. J. Richards, G. F. Watson, J. S. Hart, E. E. Gardner, C. M. Gardner, and Bro. A. R. Henry, R. A. Hart, M. W. Lewis, S. M. Jacobs, and H. C. Butler, Bro. Irving Keck, from Florida, brought a message from Eld. G. I. Butler, assuring the brethren and sisters of Iowa of his ever increasing love for the cause of truth and his especial interest in its progress in his old home State. Many interesting incidents connected with the work in an early day were recounted by the speakers, together with later experiences in new fields. While many have been widely separated, their hearts are still closely united by the great principles of truth which have been the inspiration of their lives. As we separated it was with a deepened desire to share in that grand final re-union so soon to be realized by all the faithful.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

NOTICE.—Brethren in need of fire insurance or who are interested in fancy poultry, please write at once for illustrated circular. C. H. Tyrrell, Sioux Rapids, Iowa.

NOTICE.—I will be at camp-meeting prepared to do optical work and watch repairing, and will also have some good watches for sale. All work warranted. A. K. Hathaway, Optician and Jeweler.

APPOINTMENTS.

BURLINGTON, April 27, 28, 1901.
Eld. L. F. Starr will be present.
First meeting Friday night.
C. JENSEN, Elder.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

KNOXVILLE, May 4, 1901.
A minister is expected to be with us.
All members are requested to report in person or by letter. L. ADKINS.

RUSSELL, April 27, 1901.
I hope there will be a good attendance.
C. T. ADAMS.

AFTON, May 4, 1901.
J. L. SYP, Elder.