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TERMS: 25 CENTS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

AS YE WOULD.

If I should see
A brother languishing in sore distress,
And I should turn and leave him comfortless,
When I might be
A messenger of hope and happiness,—
How could I ask to have what I denied
In my own hour of bitterness supplied?

And so I know
That day is lost wherein I fail to lend
A helping hand to some wayfaring friend;
But if it show
A burden lightened by the cheer I sent,
Then do I hold the golden hours well spent,
And lay me down in sweet content.

—Edith V. Bradt.

THE SIOUX RAPIDS CAMP-MEETING.

THE first service was held Tuesday evening, August 20, Eld. L. F. Starr giving a stirring discourse. The Spirit of God came very near in all of the services, giving His servants freedom that they might speak His word with boldness. It also reproved us of sin; but God was merciful and righteous, and forgave us our iniquity. The word presented was like fire, and it softened our stony hearts. "His word was in mine heart as a burning fire shut up in my bones.... Sing unto the Lord, praise ye the Lord; for He hath delivered the soul of the poor from the hand of evil-doers." Many came forward for the first time, and others had their courage renewed. It was indeed a blessing to be present at the Sioux Rapids camp-meeting, and to hear the testimony that came from God's people. We frequently heard the remark, "I have attended our camp-

meetings for many years, but this is best of all." In the words of another: "Glory be to God that the work in Iowa is onward and upward. The good work begun at our State camp-meeting was continued at the north-western camp-meeting with such power that there is no mistaking that the cause of God is onward in Iowa, and that the time for sleeping is in the past. The current is sweeping on. Brethren, be sure to attend your local camp-meeting and see for yourselves, and I am sure that you will know, as I know, that the Lord is coming, and that soon."

Many people from town attended the evening services. I believe the Sioux Rapids tent company have, under God, done a good work this summer. Several of the best business men in the town attended the Scandinavian services, at which God came very near us. As a result of the meeting, eleven were baptized on Sunday, and several persons changed their plans for work. Some will take up the nurses' course at the Iowa Sanitarium, and others will either canvass or enter the Bible work. A spirit of liberality for the work in the regions beyond was in the camp; and two hundred dollars, in cash and pledges, were received for the tent fund. The help of Eld. C. W. Flaiz, President of the North-western Union Conference, was very much appreciated.

N. C. BERGERSEN.

THE camp-meeting closed Sunday evening, August 25, with a shout of victory going up from the camp. The closing meeting was a praise service. Here are a few testimonies illustrative of the spirit that characterized the meeting:—

L. F. Starr.—"If you all feel as I do, you are rejoicing in God greatly. Here we have seen fall a few drops of the

latter rain. Let us go home with the spirit and power of Elijah."

N. C. Bergersen.—"This is the grandest and best meeting I ever attended. I want to step into the current. I am now shouting the victory, and soon I shall meet my Saviour."

Floyd Bralliar.—"Let us go on enjoying the Spirit."

C. E. Rentfro.—"This is the best meeting I ever attended. I am glad God will accept my work."

L. E. Edgerton.—"I have a new testimony. I have more of the Spirit than ever before, and am going home to be a man."

B. E. Fullmer.—"The truth of God never seemed so dear to me as to-night. I am of good courage."

Mrs. B. E. Fullmer.—"I feel so full of the Spirit that I do not know just what to say. I mean to go on trying to reflect the light of truth."

Sister Porter.—"What a blessing that God is good to us all."

Sister Hollingsworth.—"Whereas I was blind, now I see."

Bro. Rhoads.—"I am going into partnership with God."

Bro. Spriggs.—"I had intended to rent a farm, but I have changed my plan. I am going to work for God."

Bro. Johnson.—"It is my determination to press onward."

T. H. Jeys.—"I was requested to make a report of some of these testimonies. I have not succeeded very well; but I know the recording angel in heaven has succeeded in getting all these good testimonies into the book of remembrance."

Bro. Porter.—"I had intended to go home this morning, but the meeting was so good, I had to stay."

R. H. Habenicht.—"I have attended camp-meetings for twenty-two years. This is my best."

Dr. Perrine.—"We have not heard

God's voice in the whirlwind, in the fire, nor in the earthquake, but in the 'still small voice.' "

Sister Piper.—"We have heard how the nations are being marshalled, but I am glad God is marshalling His army. I want to be among His soldiers."

Mrs. L. E. Edgerton.—"When I first heard of this meeting I did not want to come because it requires so much getting ready to attend camp-meeting; but I am glad that I am here."

Sister Wykoff.—"What a wonderful God we have. I praise His name."

We are unable to give the names of the persons bearing the following testimonies:—

"I came near not coming. How glad I am that I did come."

"I thought to be still; but I am too full. I must praise His name."

"I have been attending meetings for twenty years, but the Spirit of God is here as I never saw it before."

"I am going to lift up Jesus."

"How can I keep still when I have received such a blessing?"

"This is my best camp-meeting."

"I was asked a few days ago what was the use of speaking in meeting; but how can any one keep still when the Spirit is here in so great measure? I have seen more of the Spirit's power in the last two days than in all my life before."

"Regardless of what it costs, I am going to serve the Lord from this time forth."

"I want to put self out of sight and serve only my Lord."

"God has put a new song into my mouth."

"I praise God for a place among His people."

"I want to have a part with God's people."

"I want God's will to be done in me."

HELPING.

We have just received from the Mission Board a copy of the helps for the second Sabbath in September. All our people will be interested in this special appeal for help; and remember that we are commanded, "Bear ye one another's burdens." We feel confident that the people of Iowa are not only willing, but ready, to help bear this burden of our sister Conference. We are well able to pay the debts; let us do it, brethren and sisters, that the reproach now resting upon the cause of God may be rolled away. We are sure you are pleased to know that the offerings for the Christiana Publishing House have

exceeded thirteen thousand dollars.

These constant appeals should not discourage us; for every time a debt is paid it only places us in a better position, where we are able to send more to carry the message into the regions beyond. May it never be said of Iowa, that she "came not up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

FIELD REPORTS.

NEW HAMPTON.

THE work here was begun July 15, and for two weeks was carried on in the German language. But we were pressed to hold some services in English, and now are holding weekly four meetings in English and three in German, with a fair attendance. Bro. E. H. Adams and family were asked to leave Waterloo and come to assist in the English work in this place, and have been here since August 9. We have presented, by the help of the Lord, "The advent message to the world in this generation." Some seem to be deeply interested. In conversation with a minister of the city he said, "Why don't you preach Christ instead of the prophecies?" A dentist, in whose office we were, said, "I have not heard them preach one sermon without preaching Christ." We are thankful for such witness for the truth. "Well," said the minister, "I admit you do more than any others I ever heard." He concluded to preach Christ more fully, taking for his theme the second coming of Christ, and remarked, "You do not need to think I am preaching on this subject simply because the Adventists have come to town and stirred me up.... People tell me how familiar the Adventists seem to be with their Bibles. The reason is they have them all marked up." In conversation with him the day following a sister said, "Bro. —, I want to show you my husband's Bible. You see it has no marks in it." "Well," said he, in great embarrassment, "I mark mine. Your husband must have it marked in his mind." Another minister has invited us to speak in his church Sunday morning, September 8, on the second coming of Christ. We have now reached the Sabbath question, and ere this is read we will have presented its sacred claims upon this people. We have gone over the town four times, and are now having cards printed to give the people another per-

sonal invitation to come. We have our tent lighted with electricity and carpeted with God's own handiwork. We can use late clean copies of *Good Health, Signs, and Little Friend*. Pray for the work here. J. H. KRAFT, August 28. J. H. WIERTS.

CLINTON AND DUBUQUE.

I WAS at Clinton August 16-19. The work there seems to be moving forward. Two united with the church while I was there,—one by baptism, and the other by vote, having been immersed previously. The membership at this place now numbers twenty-eight, with a prospect of a few more additions soon. After this meeting I met with the church at Dubuque for two days. This is a large, wealthy, and wicked city. I have been told that sixty per cent or more of the inhabitants are Roman Catholics. Yet we believe there are honest ones among them that could be reached with present truth if we knew the right way in which to approach them. Honest ones have come among us in the past from the old mother church. We are thankful for the Spirit of God that was present in our meetings at these places. But we realize that we need much more of the power of Christ in all our work, and I am sure that God wants us to have it. Let us ask for and receive it. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" Luke 11:13. We are assured by the above text, and the one referred to below, that God wants His people to receive the Holy Ghost. John 20:22.

August 27. C. A. WASHBURN.

FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

Dear Brethren and Sisters: Our work here goes well. A good interest is manifested by a number of the best of people, and the Presbyterians are our best friends. We are now holding meetings in a nice large hall, and have a good attendance. But it does seem that the people here see things differently, and they move slowly. Our courage is good, as is also our health. We find it much colder here than in Iowa, and there has not been one warm day since we came. One can work without a coat on occasionally, but not often. Altogether, we are getting along nicely. One can eat fish here if he has to, and even with a relish.

CHAS. A. HANSEN.

Harbor Grace, Newfoundland.

THE BOOK WORK.

ENCOURAGING OTHERS.

IN Testimony Vol. 6, p. 336, there is a word to us who are acting as tent canvassers. "Let those who gain such an experience in working for the Lord write an account of it for our papers, that others may be encouraged. Let the canvasser tell of the joy and blessing he has received in his ministry as an evangelist. These reports should find a place in our papers; for they are far-reaching in their influence. They will be as sweet fragrance in the church, a savor of life unto life. Thus it is seen that God works with those who co-operate with Him." To those who have had no experience of this kind I could speak of the joy I have had in this precious work; but I must report what I have done. Since June 18, I have sold of our smaller books and taken subscriptions for the *Review*, *Good Health*, *Sentinel*, *Hausfreund*, and *Sendebud*, to the amount of about thirty-eight dollars. Beside this, I have sold about twelve dollars' worth of Bibles.

God has choicest blessings for us if we "place ourselves in the divine current, where we can receive the heavenly inspiration." How much joy there is in pointing souls to Jesus, even while canvassing. Many times, although unable to sell a book, I have spent several hours talking with interested souls about present truth. In connection with the meetings, we have kept a small table covered with our books, and often the brethren would advertise from the desk. I know from experience that a person may sell books and yet have time to study. I praise God for His guidance in my efforts to attain to still higher ground. Brethren Fullmer and Heald have sold seven "Object Lessons" and some pamphlets, and have obtained twenty-five three-months' subscriptions for the *Signs*. I am enlisted in giving, by God's help, the gospel message to the world in this generation. "Praise ye the Lord. Sing unto the Lord a new song, and His praise in the congregation of saints." C. E. RENTFRO.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING AUG. 23, 1901.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
THE COMING KING.				
John Casperson.....	18	6	\$ 7.00	\$.50
Tilda Ward.....	23	4	4.50	.85
H. P. Hansen.....	50	15	15.00	1.80

DELIVERIES.

	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
Ruby McSparran.....	2	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.15	2
Phebe Vosburgh.....	13	39.00	12.00	1

SUMMARY.

No. of agents.....	5
" " orders.....	25
Value of ".....	\$ 26.50
" " helps sold.....	\$ 21.30
Total value.....	\$ 47.80
Value of deliveries.....	\$ 45.00

THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

HEALTH HINTS.

AN unwritten law says that if a man puts his finger in the fire he will get burned. Some may not regard pain as a blessing; yet it is one of the greatest of blessings; for it is a warning that something in the vital economy is wrong, and that it is time to search out the cause of trouble and remedy it. God has never changed, neither does He propose to change our organism in order that we may violate physical law without feeling the effects of violation. By indulging the inclination and appetite, man violates the laws of life and health. If he obeys conscience, man must be controlled by principle in matters of eating, drinking, and dressing. Our bodies seem so commonplace to us that we frequently neglect them, and treat them as a child treats his toy the novelty of which is worn away. Man is apt to think the short time wasted that is required to dash some water on his hands and face in the morning and make a hasty toilet. Yet the machinery of the body is expected to run day and night, stopping only to bolt the material we call food and to snatch a few hours of troubled sleep. Then, when nature rebels at such treatment, and by the agency of pain, calls our attention to the fact, we wonder why kind Providence allows us to get sick. The wonder is that Providence allows us to keep well as long as we do. When we are sufficiently acquainted with nature's laws, and have strength to keep them, we will then have attained to that stage of development where disease can not reach us; for there will be no law broken for which we must pay the penalty.

NOTES.

BRO. CARL NEWTON, of College View, Neb., stopped on his way to Battle Creek, Mich., where he is taking a course in the American Medical Missionary College.

MISS MARY ANDERSON returned last Wednesday from Farlin, where she left her patient progressing nicely. She has resumed charge of the ladies' bath department.

A NUMBER of patients took advantage of the excursion rates last week and came to the Sanitarium,—nine arriving in one day. We were also glad to see many old friends and visitors at the institution.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

THE SIOUX RAPIDS CAMP-MEETING HARVEST INGATHERING SERVICE.

SISTERS FULLMER and Tyrrell had charge of this service. The children had been instructed with reference to the importance of bringing a thank-offering to the Lord, thus acknowledging with gratitude the many blessings received during the year. The tent was nicely decorated with fruits, flowers, grains, and leaves gathered from the neighboring woods and fields. Nature proclaimed the goodness of God to men.

The tent was filled with interested people, quite a number coming from the city and country. The meeting was opened with several songs of praise by the children, after which they presented their offerings. Most of them repeated a text of praise as the offering was placed in the basket. Many beautiful nature lessons were drawn from the fruits and flowers. Surely, if any present could not see God in the instruction given, they were able to see Him in the things of nature around them.

Parents and children, just a little way in the future there will be a harvest ingathering service in which the angels of heaven will gather from the four corners of the earth. All who have been faithful in the cause of God will have a part in the service. That meeting will be held, not in a tent decorated with flowers and shrubs from the forest, on the bank of the Little Sioux river, but in the city of God, on the bank of the river of Life. May it be our happy lot to be in attendance at that meeting. Let us all sing

"Speed on, O wheels of time,
And bring that happy day."

CHAS. W. HEALD.

SISTER EVA PIPER, of Sheldon, gave the following personal tribute to the ingathering service:—

"The ingathering service was to me a reminder of the greatness and goodness of God. My mind was carried back to ancient Israel's meeting at Jerusalem. What an object lesson this must have been to those who knew not the God of Israel. If those meetings were any more joyful than the one at Sioux Rapids, they certainly were a success. Old and young seemed glad to take part and lend a helping hand.... The exercises throughout gave testimony to the greatness of God and His love. Let us have more of these services in Iowa."

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—MISS LETTIE FERGUSON, of Pella, is spending a few days in the city.

—BRO. A. L. HOYT, of Fairfield, was in the city last week on business.

—SISTER MINNIE EMMONS, of Birmingham, spent a few days of last week in Des Moines.

—SISTERS ADALINE AND JESSIE V. BOSWORTH have been spending a week with relatives at Boone.

—MISS ETHEL SHAW, of this city, left yesterday morning for a short visit with relatives at Spirit Lake.

—MRS. M. E. SIMONS, of Fairfield, spent Sabbath and Sunday with her sister Mrs. K. Miller, of this city.

—It has been decided to hold the camp-meeting for south-eastern Iowa at the County Fair Grounds, Fairfield, Sept. 17-22.

—BRO. M. MOORE, of Troy, was in Des Moines the first of last week for the purpose of having his little daughter Beulah given medical examination.

—ELD. L. F. STARR passed through Des Moines last Wednesday on his way to the Illinois camp-meeting, which was held at Kankakee, August 22 to Sept. 1.

—OUR readers should take notice that the family box offer made by the Good Health Pub. Co., of Battle Creek, Mich., closes October 1, 1901. If you wish to take advantage of the offer, do so immediately, and thus avoid disappointment.

—A LARGE number of our people visited Des Moines last week. Among those calling at this Office we mention: H. P. Hansen, John Casperson, and Jay Slocum, Boone; F. J. Law, Canby; J. E. Shively, Woodburn; A. Harley Rentfro, Sigourney; E. W. Schoberg, Adel; Martin Adson, Terrill; Homer Goss and Mrs. Alpha Wasson and daughter Winnie, of Sandyville.

—THE revision of the book, "Marvel of Nations," by Eld. Uriah Smith, is nearly completed, and agents are wanted in this Conference. The prospectus will be out in a few days, and the book ready for delivery about Sept. 15. It is six and one-half inches wide and nine inches long, and has 320 pages and 150 illustrations. Cloth, plain edges, \$1.25; cloth, gilt edges, \$1.50. Address this Office.

—IN the *Signs* of Sept. 4 appears the first number of a series of articles on Spiritualism by Eld. W. A. Colcord, of Australia. The following are some of the headings: Origin of Modern Spiritualism, The Source of Its Power, Taught from the Pulpit, Its Relation to Christ's Coming, Its Final Deception, The Scriptures Our Only Safeguard. This series will run for about three months. Now that the relationship between Protestantism and the Roman power, and their attitude toward Spiritualism, so clearly indicate that "the time has come for the marvellous working of Satan," shall we not arouse and warn those who do not understand the deceptions of the enemy. What more effectual means of enlightenment can we use than the *Signs* containing the above series? The subscription price for that time is only 40 cents; a club of five copies for three months, \$1.00; ten copies, \$2.00.

—ONE of the most timely little tracts recently published is entitled "The United States as a Christian Nation," *Apples of Gold Library* No. 71. The author, L. A. Smith, treats the subject in his usual terse and striking manner. Because this nation has not a Christian government, it does not necessarily follow that it is antichristian; but if the State tries to be Christian, it becomes surely antichristian. Price of tract ½ cent per copy; 40 per cent discount on orders for fifty or more. Just the thing to set people thinking. Do you not wish some to enclose in your letters, or to hand out to your neighbors?

—MISS LURA COLLINS, who has been connected with the Kansas Tract Society, visited last week with her sister Mrs. Iva J. Turner, at the Sanitarium. Sister Collins expects to go to Chicago soon, where she will engage in stenography for Dr. David Paulson.

—THE world will be convinced not so much by what the pulpit teaches as by what the church lives. The preacher announces the theory of the gospel, but the practical piety of the church demonstrates its power."—*Test., Volume 6.*

—BRO. AND SISTER LOUIS JACOBSEN, of Shelby, stopped in Des Moines over Sabbath and Sunday, on their way home from a visit at Albia with Sister Jacobsen's parents.

—BRO. ISAAH MOORE, of Pulaski, who is connected with the Southern Publishing Company, at Nashville, Tenn., spent a few days in Des Moines last week.

—GOVERN your thoughts when alone and your tongue when in company.—*Thomas a Kempis.*

—MRS. C. T. HABENICHT called yesterday, en route from Colorado to the Waterloo camp-meeting.

—MISS ETHEL CROW has returned from a visit with home friends at Fontanelle, to her work at the Pure Food Cafe.

—It is expected that the camp-meeting for south-western Iowa will be held at Woodbine, Harrison county, October 1-6.

—BRO. V. V. WILSON, of Woodburn, called at this Office Sunday, in passing through the city on his way home from a trip to Minnesota and South Dakota.

—SISTER MINA HOLMES and daughters Cleo and Iva, of this city, were called to Lima, Iowa, last week by the death of Sister Holmes' sister Mrs. Libbie Earle. Typhoid fever was the cause of her sudden death.

—MISS MARTHA YOUNG, of Woolson, came to Des Moines last Wednesday. She will be associated with Sister Emma Beaman in teaching of the church school at this place, which opened yesterday with a good attendance.

—"SOUND an Alarm" is the title of No. 167, the latest issue of the *Bible Students' Library*. It treats of political, physical, and religious matters which indicate the speedy culmination of the Christian's hope,—the coming of the Lord and the passing away of all things earthly. You should order a supply of this tract and scatter them as it were "like the leaves of autumn." Thus you will help to "sound an alarm." Price, 1 cent each. Order of this Office.

—THE Sanitarium, Bakery, and Pure Food Cafe exhibit at the State Fair was a decided success. Many friends of the institution, and those who were using the Sanitarium foods, called and greeted those who had charge with a hearty hand-shake. Others who were searching for a healthful way of living, carried away samples and literature, and promised to try the foods. Many were thus enabled to learn of our health work for the first time, and some time may be able to profit by it.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

FOR SALE.—A good, well established grocery business. Small investment; terms reasonable. Owner wishes to sell because of ill health. Address M., 160 N. Franklin St., Waterloo, Iowa.