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TERMS: 25 CENTS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

THE GENERAL MEETING AT HAWKEYE.

This was a season long to be remembered by all the dear brethren and sisters who availed themselves of the opportunity. The Lord came very near to His people; and as the forward movement of the message was presented, the people manifested a readiness to stand by those who stand for principle. When the needs of the cause were presented, the brethren responded quite liberally. The attendance from the outside was not what we expected, but this gave us opportunity to speak more directly to our own people. Brethren were present from West Union, Fayette, Sumner, and Fredericksburg, and were cared for gladly by the church here. The laborers present were Eld. L. F. Trubey, Dr. R. H. Habenicht, and the writer. We were only sorry that we had to separate so soon, but we all look forward to that great reunion which will soon take place. J. H. KRAFT.

MISSIONARY WORK.—NO. 2.

WHO SHALL ACT AS INSTRUCTORS?

LUKE tells us: "The Holy Ghost shall teach you what ye shall speak." An earthly teacher can not instruct a child without earnest study on the part of the child, neither can the Holy Ghost teach us what we shall speak when working for souls unless we have studied the word. Our part is to store the word in our minds; the

work of the Holy Spirit is to bring it to our remembrance. The Spirit of the Lord, speaking with regard to educating the people how to do missionary work, says: "Let some one who has ability lay out... the line of work." Vol. 6, p. 432. "Careful instruction should be given that will be as lessons from the Master... Those who have the oversight of the churches should select members who have ability... at the same time giving them instruction as to how they may best serve and bless others."—*Ib.* p. 431.

This is practical instruction, and we can apply it in our home churches and profit thereby. The long winter evenings are before us, when we can do so much for the Lord if we will lay aside our own work that we may work for Him. There is no more profitable way to spend time than in working for the souls for whom Christ died. Do you want a part in this work?

WHERE SHALL MISSIONARY EFFORT BEGIN?

We are not left in doubt as to this point. Christ says: "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." This instruction teaches us that we are to begin missionary work in our homes, and in the neighborhood in which we live. As strength is gained through experience, the work is to be extended into the surrounding country, the field gradually widening until it embraces the "uttermost part of the earth." The same instruction comes to us now: "Our work for Christ is to begin with the family, in the home.... There is no missionary field more important than this.... They (the children) should be taught to be diligent in missionary work.... But if they ever learn to do

missionary work for others, they must first learn to labor for those at home, who have a natural right to their offices of love.... By many this home field has been shamefully neglected, and it is time that divine resources and remedies were presented, that this state of evil may be corrected."—Vol. 6, p. 429, 430. "Some who have long professed to be Christians, and yet have felt no responsibility for the souls of those who are perishing right around them, within the shadow of their own homes, may feel a burden to go to foreign lands to take hold of work far off; but where is the evidence of their fitness for such work? Wherein have they manifested a burden for souls? Let such begin the work at home, in their own households, in their own neighborhood, among their own friends. Here they will find a favorable missionary field.... This home missionary work is a test revealing their ability or inability for serving in a wider field."—"*Home Missionary Work*," p. 17. DELLA WALLACE.

FROM THE SOUTH.

Dear Ones All: Minnie and I have just come in from selling papers,—the *Gospel Herald*,—holding readings, visiting the sick, etc. Bro. Newby, of Davenport, Iowa, has paid for one hundred yearly subscriptions for the paper named, which we sell, putting the money in the treasury to purchase more papers. Our tent meetings closed the first of October. We now hold meetings Sabbath and Sunday in the dining tent, which we find too small for the crowd many times, but the way is hedged up to hold meetings in any other place. We have a growing Sabbath-school; nearly fifty new faces appear each Sabbath.

O that we had words to express our

needs! The new ones have a mind to learn and work, but they are poor in this world's goods. Pastor Nash was called to Waynesville to superintend the erection of a church and school building. He expects to return in about a month to help us in building a place of worship, which is greatly needed. Bro. Newby and wife have given one hundred dollars. I told Bro. Shireman that if Iowa knew our situation we would surely get one hundred dollars from them. He said, "Yes; those dear brethren have large hearts." I told him that the Lord *always* gives us more than we ask for. Now, brethren, sisters, children, if each Sabbath-keeper in Iowa will send one penny, we can have a church and school room under one roof. There are none here who have been in the truth any length of time. They are calling for a S. D. Adventist to teach their little ones; we have no one to give them. Those who have no pennies to give can give their service. The Lord says, "One thousand should be in this field where there is now one." This is true.

Eld. Shireman said, "The Lord willing, I expect to visit Iowa once more before He comes." While he was helping on the additional room for the school at Hildebran, he fell from the building, receiving serious injury. School opens at Hildebran, Oct. 14.

The work is onward; and we are happy to be here. We have had two frosts, so we want to make speedy preparation for a place of worship.

Oct. 9. MOLLIE R. LONG.

THINK ON THESE THINGS.

THE eighth commandment is not taught and practiced as much as it ought to be. If this precept were taken to heart more, men would have a more tender conscience. Fewer persons would fail to pay their debts, and all would be much more careful to deal justly in handling the money or property of others entrusted to their care. Fewer would take advantage of circumstances to defraud their fellow men, or to withhold from others their just dues. The law of our God strictly forbids unjust weights and measures. It says: "*Owe no man anything.*" Again we read: "Provide things honest in the sight of all men." To take that which belongs to another, or to keep and appropriate to our own use that which is the property of another, is a violation of the eighth commandment. To deal dishonestly is to break this

precept; for it deprives others of their rightful property just as truly as if it were taken from them by the thief who enters your house unawares. The one may be more genteel, and be regarded in society as a respectable person, while the thief is branded as disreputable; but both classes will find a place outside of the city at last.

The reader may ask the reason for speaking to Christians in this way. The answer is this: Very many who call themselves Christians are defrauding and deceiving their fellow men continually, and this form of dishonesty is leavening society in our age until even the people of God are unconsciously contaminated with its insidious poison. It is because of this tendency amidst the perils of the last days that God admonishes us to think on these things. As a people, we are to come out from among them, and be separate, and touch not the unclean thing, if we expect to be received of Him in the day of His coming.—*Missionary Visitor*.

"If we wait until we have more than we want before beginning to give, we shall die without giving. But if we give out of our scanty portion to those whose need is greater than ours, we shall live as givers, and shall enjoy living. The man who only gives from his surplus, never knows the real joy of giving."

FIELD REPORTS.

PARKERSBURG.

ELD. N. C. BERGENSEN's visit to Parkersburg was a source of encouragement to the church at this place. The meeting Friday evening was of special benefit to all. Some very practical thoughts were presented. On Sabbath we were bidden, "Arise ye, and depart; for this is not your rest." On the evening after the Sabbath a business meeting was held, and church and Sabbath-school officers were elected. At 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon the ordinances were celebrated, and Bro. J. W. Crouse and L. A. Hansen were ordained as elder and deacon respectively, following which a good social meeting was enjoyed.

Two Danish meetings were held at the church in the country and one in the city. A number of Danish-speaking people not of our faith were present, and some expressed themselves as desirous of having more meetings held

in their language. In all the meetings Bro. Bergersen presented the importance of the truth for this time and the necessity of living careful, prayerful, and consistent Christian lives. We all felt in our hearts a determination to leave the things of this world and turn our feet Zionward. JUDSON CROUSE.

CEDAR RAPIDS.

THE Lord is blessing in His work at Cedar Rapids. In canvassing I find a great many who are deeply interested. Last Sabbath the quarterly meeting was held. It was a good day for the church; and the privilege of celebrating the ordinances was greatly appreciated, not having been enjoyed here for many quarters. Two good souls were received into church fellowship. Sunday night a business meeting was held, and church officers were elected. Everything is being done to push the work successfully on, and we hope to hold a series of meetings soon for the benefit of the interested ones.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

CLARINDA.

THE Lord came very near at our quarterly meeting held Oct. 6, which was conducted by Eld. E. G. Olsen; and we were strengthened, encouraged, and blessed. I believe that all resolved to engage more earnestly in the Lord's work. Rain prevented some of the members from coming, but seven persons were present who are not members. MRS. M. A. BEACH.

OBITUARY.

CHAMBERLAIN.—Died, at his home in Hawkeye, Iowa, Oct. 2, 1901, Lewis A. Chamberlain, aged 55 years, 2 months, and 26 days.

Bro. Chamberlain came to Iowa with his parents in 1855, and was married Dec. 24, 1871, to Miss Emogene Saucer, who with four children, his parents, three sisters, and two brothers, mourn his death. He was stricken with paralysis May 14, last, and for a time his life was despaired of; but finally he so far recovered as to be able to be around town, until the evening before his death. Our dear brother had just accepted the truth, and was buried with the Lord in baptism six days before he was laid in the grave. After his baptism he seemed very happy, and made the remark that he was ready to go at any time the Lord called him. The funeral services were held from the M. E. church, the writer speaking words of comfort from Psa. 90:12 and 2 Thess. 4:13-18, to a large concourse of people.

J. H. KRAFT.

THE BOOK WORK.

AN OPPORTUNITY LOST.

HEZEKIAH, king of Judah, was sick with a fatal malady, and he was told to put his house in order, for he would die. Most earnestly he sought the Lord that his life might be lengthened, and his prayer was answered, and a marvelous cure was effected. That it might be known that the Lord had healed him, the shadow on the dial was brought back ten degrees. The report of his wonderful recovery reached Babylon, and the kingsent messengers to enquire about it. Here was a golden opportunity to make known to this people the true God. But Hezekiah showed them his earthly possessions,—gold, silver, houses, and dominions. The earthly treasure eclipsed the glory of the heavenly. The opportunity was lost, and through exile and captivity God had to accomplish His purpose.

To-day men and women are repeating the fatal mistake of Hezekiah. A message is due the world in this generation. Now we have the opportunity of heralding it amidst peace and prosperity. But if not done now, it must be done with danger and difficulty on every hand. By means of the printed page *all* can have a part in this work. Let each one ask the questions: Are the cares of this world choking the word and am I becoming unfruitful? Am I using or losing my opportunities?

O. E. CUMMINGS.

"The perfect fruit of faith, meekness, and love, often matures best amidst storm clouds and darkness."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK END-
ING OCT. 11, 1901.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
PROPHECIES OF JESUS,				
Lewis Hilliard.....	15	4	\$ 7.75	\$1.85
HERALDS OF THE MORNING,				
G. W. Anglebarger.....	15	7	\$ 9.75	\$1.25
MISCELLANEOUS.				
O. N. Conklin.....	5	1	\$ 1.00	
Cora M. Davis.....	14	3	3.75	\$7.25
O. C. Haugsted.....	4			

DELIVERIES.

	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
H. P. Hansen.....	41	\$46.00	\$2.25	
Edwin S. Butz.....	67	85.00		8
O. C. Haugsted.....	24	14.00		
O. N. Conklin.....	2	2.00		1
Lewis Hilliard.....	1	1.75		

SUMMARY.

No. of agents.....	7
" " orders.....	19
Value of ".....	\$ 22.25
" " helps sold.....	\$ 12.60
Total value.....	\$ 34.85
Value of deliveries.....	\$148.75

THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. FERRINE, M. D.

HEALTH HINTS.

STIMULATING FOODS AND DRINKS.

A FOOD proper is not a stimulant; it is something that nourishes. Its purpose in the vital economy is to replace waste tissue, the matter thrown off from the living structure day after day. In childhood the food eaten does more than this,—it builds up. Briefly stated, it enables us to grow, so that our bodies acquire normal dimensions; it also takes the place of those materials which are parted with continually in the legitimate exercise of the bodily functions. A stimulant does not build up, and it can not replace wasted tissue. Its tendency is to destroy, to tear down. Not only this, but it imposes extra burdens upon the vital organism, and thus vital force is lost. Life is shortened by its use, because the life principle is needlessly expended in trying to get rid of it.

If these simple facts were understood, there would be a revolution in our dietetic habits such as the world has never seen. Present articles of food and drink would be discarded, and good food substituted. As conditions are at present, people clamor for that which destroys them, and they place small value upon foods that are of the most importance to health and longevity. These erroneous ideas prevail because these subjects are not studied from a scientific standpoint. We are apt to judge of the quality of the food simply from its immediate effects on the vital organism, and not as to whether it promotes health, either of mind or body. These charges are grave, but they are well founded. Reason is practically set aside.

NOTES.

BRO. BURTON CHURCH is nursing an outside patient in the city.

IMPROVEMENTS about the Sanitarium and grounds are still continuing.

A NUMBER of new patients were added to the list during the past week.

WE are glad to note that Bro. and Sister J. T. Spriggs, of Hartley, came last week to take up work with the nurses' class.

OUR Friday evening nurses' prayer meetings are well attended, and are thoroughly appreciated by all. Eld. J. W. Adams was with us last week, and led the meeting.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

GOD'S MANNER OF IMPARTING KNOWLEDGE.

DAY by day Jesus gained knowledge from the great library of animate and inanimate nature. He who had created all things, at whose word of power hill and vale, river and tree, had come into being, was now a child of humanity, and He studied the lessons which His own hand had written in leaf and flower and tree. The parables, by which during His ministry Jesus loved to teach His lessons of truth, show how open His Spirit was to the sweet influence of nature, and how, during those hidden years, He delighted to gather the spiritual teachings from all the surroundings of daily life. To Jesus the significance of the word and works of God unfolded gradually, as He was thinking, seeking to understand the reason of things, as any youth may seek to understand.

Every child may gain knowledge, as Jesus did, from the works of nature and the pages of God's Holy Word. . . . And as we behold the beauty and grandeur of the works of nature, our affections go out after God; while the heart is awed and the spirit subdued, the soul is invigorated by coming in contact with the Infinite through His marvelous works.—*Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work.*

A RELIGIOUS PICNIC.

SOME time since, my Sabbath-school class and I went on what we called a "religious picnic." One of the members of the class took us to a neighboring town, where we spent the day in rather a unique way. We took our dinner in real picnic style. We also took with us about five hundred papers,—*Signs, Review, Sentinel*, etc. These we distributed over the town, leaving some at every house until our supply was exhausted. We said nothing to anyone, because we thought best to let the papers do the talking. We accomplished a good share of our work before noon, and thus had ample time in the afternoon to finish it and then to enjoy ourselves at the lake. We were pretty tired when we reached our homes, but we had taken pleasure in the day's outing, and surely that town has heard at least one blast of the trumpet. We have other neighbors that we hope to visit in the same way as soon as possible.

IDA M. POCH.
Atlantic, Iowa.

THIS is practical seed sowing. Are there not other Sabbath-school classes that would enjoy such a picnic?

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—STATE MEETING, Nevada, Nov. 5-10.

—ELD. T. GODFREY, of Kansas, was among the visitors at the Sanitarium last week.

—MRS. A. M. MOSS, of Fairfield, has decided to remain here with her sister for the winter.

—THE church school at Sandyville opened last Monday, with Miss Cora Shaw, of Des Moines, in charge.

—BRO. ARTHUR FRENCH made us a short visit last week in going from Yale to spend a few days at his home in Afton.

—WE were pleased to have Dr. Mary Frederick, of the Colfax Sanitarium, with us again in our services here last Sabbath.

—THE church at Storm Lake had with them to assist in their meeting last Sabbath, Bro. C. E. Rentfro from Sioux Rapids.

—THE Scandinavian workers in this city were pleased to receive even a brief call from Eld. Lewis Johnson, as he was passing through the first of last week.

—ALL orders for the "Church School Manual" have been recorded, and will be filled as soon as possible. The publishers write us that this book is not quite ready yet.

—HAVING spent a few weeks with home friends in Des Moines, Bro. and Sister O. E. Swap went last Thursday to Cedar Rapids, expecting to engage in bathroom work.

—ALL will be glad to hear from our District Agent, Bro. O. E. Cummings, again. He has been spending some time at Winnipeg, Manitoba, in organizing the canvassing forces there, and expects to visit Iowa soon.

—THE Des Moines church school now has an enrollment of forty-six. The teachers are enthusiastic and earnest, the pupils are interested and studious, and the patrons are striving to co-operate with them in making the school a success.

—THE tent meetings near Wood, Clayton county, have been closed, and the workers are preparing to engage in the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." Eld. W. E. Frederick is locating at Prairie City for the winter, and Bro. Andrew Johnson's present address is Manchester, Delaware county.

—WE wish to ask for the series of articles on "Home Missionary Work," a prayerful consideration. They are written with the earnest desire that we may all receive the instruction presented in the Word of God and the Testimonies, and by making a practical application of the same become true missionaries. Then what a great work might be accomplished by those in our State who profess to believe in the soon coming of the Saviour,—a band of over three thousand earnest workers!

—PRESENT indications seem to point to a good sale for the revised "Marvel of Nations." Combining as it does a history of the United States with a treatise upon the third angel's message, it is an easier selling book than a purely sectarian one. We trust that many in our State will take hold of this work, and thus help to disseminate light on the setting up of God's everlasting kingdom. Price, cloth, plain edges, \$1.25; cloth, gilt edges, \$1.50. Write to this Office for terms.

—REMEMBER the special rate on the Signs offered to those canvassing for "Christ's Object Lessons" during October, November, and December. These rates are 75 cents per year for new subscriptions. If desired the paper and book may be combined for \$2.25, but neither the book nor the paper should be sold alone for less than the regular price.

—LAST Sabbath was the time appointed for taking a collection for the endowed bed. Those isolated from our churches are also asked to contribute to this fund. All money for this purpose should be sent to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

—IN canvassing for "Christ's Object Lessons" many of our workers find it advantageous to carry some of our small juvenile books, such as, "Best Stories" and "Easy Steps." Subscription rates allowed on all these. Write for catalogue and terms.

—ALL should take note that the tithe report published in another column is only for money received from July 1 to September 30. Then do not make complaint if money sent since that date is not reported.

—BRO. N. M. JORGENSEN writes from Clinton that he has entered upon the work for "Christ's Object Lessons," taking four orders the first two days.

—"MONEY reveals the character in three ways, the way we get it, the way we value it, and the way we use it."

—WE again ask you to look at the date on your BULLETIN paster, and if you are in arrears, kindly remit as soon as possible.

QUARTERLY REPORTS.

WE hope our Conference workers will make out their quarterly reports and send them in promptly at the close of the last day's work. Please do not wait until you come to State meeting, as we desire to have all the auditing done two days before this meeting convenes. Some have asked about reporting: State the number of days you worked in each place and what you did while there. In the expense column state distinctly what the expenditures were for; if you travelled on the cars, say car fare. Call things by their right names.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE.

CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Tithes received from July 1 to Sept. 30, 1901:—

Ames.....	\$42.01	Ladoga.....	14.08
Adel.....	81.71	Libertyville.....	27.61
Afton.....	126.26	Marshalltown.....	126.63
Aigona.....	31.80	Massena.....	13.70
Atalissa.....	46.39	Milford.....	88.60
Atlantic.....	61.39	Maquokata.....	22.25
Audubon.....	136.08	Modale.....	54.15
Albaton.....	7.65	Mt. Pleasant.....	58.03
Birmingham.....	47.50	Muscatine.....	79.90
Blencoe.....	84.92	Monroe.....	23.60
Bonaparte.....	8.75	Macksburg.....	9.85
Boone.....	14.15	Missouri Valley.....	4.00
Beaman.....	22.44	Nanson.....	56.76
Burlington.....	50.58	Nevada.....	182.37
Benton S. S.....	18.60	Oxford.....	17.50
Bladensburg.....	17.71	Olin.....	18.06
Castana.....	13.20	Osceola.....	31.44
Oroton.....	4.39	Onawa.....	43.17
Cedar Falls.....	15.00	Osage.....	18.93
Coon Rapids.....	23.00	Parkersburg.....	182.65
Council Bluffs.....	129.00	Perry.....	9.62
Clarinda.....	25.00	Pilot Mound.....	45.00
Clinton.....	61.10	Pulaski.....	18.60
Confidence.....	2.50	Providence.....	41.00
Cedar Rapids.....	10.35	Riverton.....	101.65
Columbus Jet.....	29.62	Ruthven.....	251.36
Davis City.....	53.42	Russell.....	40.65
Davenport.....	47.40	Sandyville.....	82.46
Des Moines.....	340.67	Shelby.....	2.00
Delmar.....	8.14	Sheldon.....	5.00
Darbyville.....	270.99	Sharpsburg.....	35.55
Dubuque.....	128.15	Story City.....	22.15
Dunlap.....	18.50	Sioux City.....	68.41
Elk Horn.....	233.00	Spirit Lake.....	4.00
Eddyville.....	68.39	Storm Lake.....	22.55
Exira.....	89.50	Sigourney.....	11.50
Eureka.....	14.61	Smithland.....	35.5
Estherville.....	55.92	Twin Oak.....	4.50
Fairfield.....	2.10	Truer.....	67.15
Forest City.....	20.00	Urbana.....	11.10
Fontanelle.....	50.60	Village Creek.....	6.25
Glenwood.....	40.00	Vinton.....	2.15
Grant City.....	37.10	Waukon.....	38.46
Gilman.....	8.91	Waverly.....	3.75
Grinnell.....	148.39	West Grove.....	30.75
Graettinger.....	69.50	Weston.....	17.15
Hartley.....	139.43	West Union.....	57.09
Hawkeye.....	79.20	Wilton.....	26.91
Harlan.....	53.50	Winterset.....	76.06
Iowa City.....	31.76	Winthrop.....	39.00
Jacksonville.....	150.30	Woodburn.....	83.83
Knoxville.....	70.04	Individual.....	289.27
Kelley.....	31.09	Total.....	\$5,993.48

J. W. DORCAS,

Treasurer Iowa Conference.