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## A GOOD MEETING.

I HAVE been requested by the editor of the Bulletin to tell its readers something about the good State meeting held at Nevada, November 5-10. As this meeting was called especially for the State Conference workers, the most of the ministers, Bible workers, and department officers were present. But few others, aside from the members of the Nevada church, attended the meeting. By the good providence of the Lord, Bro. C. J. Buhalts, of Manitoba, was with us, to our mutual pleasure and benefit. The only others present from outside the State were Bro. E. R. Palmer, Bro. O. E. Cummings, and the writer.

Six meetings were held daily. The first meeting of each day was devoted to Bible study, and the last to preaching. The other hours were spent in the study of the different lines of work being carried on in the State. Dr. J. D. Shively, of the Iowa Sanitarium, placed before the workers the importance of our health principles, and the character of the medical work being done at the Sanitarium. Brn. Palmer and Jeys held two or three meetings in the interests of the canvassing work. This important line of work is not prospering in the great State of Iowa as it should. There are but few regular agents in the field, and the distribution of the excellent books the Lord has given this people is nothing com-

pared to what it should be. The three thousand Sabbath-keepers of Iowa ought to be doing at least a hundred times more to place our books in the homes of the people. A trumpet call to this work should be sounded from one end of the State to the other, and the blast should sound louder and louder until at least one hundred consecrated, successful canvassers get settled in this work. This can be done. There are enough believers to furnish this number. The population is large, and the State is very prosperous. Come, brethren, rally to this important work, which the Lord says must be done.

I was exceedingly glad to find that nearly all of the Conference workers have entered upon a two months' campaign for the sale of "Object Lessons." This is a good example for the brethren and sisters in the State, and for everybody connected with this cause. These workers bore cheerful and courageous testimonies regarding the sale of this little book. It is selling better than it did last year. God is blessing them in that work. The interest and conviction of the Iowa workers regarding the canvassing work were expressed by a number of stirring resolutions.

The keynote of the meeting was "Reorganization and Reform." I wish that every Sabbath-keeper in Iowa could have heard all that was said in the meetings by the workers regarding this stirring theme. All acknowledged and affirmed that a great reform is needed, and that it must be made. And all perceived, too, that this reform must be made in the heart of each individual, and that when made there it will work out in all the plans and methods adopted for the management and extension of every line of our work. A stirring communication from Sister

White was carefully studied, which clearly pointed out and emphasized some of the changes which must be made. As we recognized these principles, and promised God that we would obey them, light and liberty and courage came to our hearts. Some pronounced and precious victories were gained by those who sought to make a personal heart reform. While all present may not have come to the fullest unity regarding the details of re-organization and reform, all acknowledged its necessity, and declared themselves in harmony with the general features set forth.

This meeting was one of great benefit to me personally; and it gives me pleasure to renew and strengthen the ties which naturally bind me to the State of my birth, my conversion, and the first struggling years of my ministry. I am glad to meet the old veterans of the cause, and to form the acquaintance of new workers, especially the youth who have come to years of manhood while I have been away at the front. How I long to see these young men develop into strong, serious burden-bearers in the cause. The Lord is calling them to the barren, destitute fields in the lands afar off; and He will open the way for them as soon and as fast as they will surrender and prepare for sturdy, hard service. God bless the work and workers in Iowa.

A. G. DANIELLS.

## FROM FINLAND AGAIN.

About the middle of last July, I had to go and take charge of the Office at Helsingfors, as the brother and his son who had been there for six years were preparing to move to Sweden. They left July 28, and from that time until August 20 I was the only worker in Finland. I was office secretary,

book keeper, State agent, committee, minister, and Bible worker all combined. My time was fully occupied; but the Lord blessed in it all, and two persons were baptized during that time. Bro. and Sister A. Boettcher, from Hamburg, came August 20 to do the office work. After helping them to get started, we left August 28 for a trip to different points in Finland.

First we went to a little old town called Gamte Korlsby, where we held meetings, and two promised to keep the Sabbath. This little town of two thousand inhabitants has been famous since the Crimean war. The people heard that the English were coming with some gunboats, and hastily built a wall of loose boards, and taking their guns, stationed themselves behind it. When the gunboats came near and the men saw the wall they prepared to fire; but before they had time, the wall fell and the bullets from the Fins killed eight men in the first boat. The other boats fled, and this one was captured. It was afterwards pulled ashore, and a house built over it; and over the graves of the slain in the cemetery is a granite slab with this inscription: "There are no enemies in death; all are brothers there." The Lutheran family with whom we stayed while there directed us to some of their friends in Jakobstad, the next town, a place of about five thousand people. We found them; and when the lady learned that we were missionaries, she said we would have a meeting in her parlor, and asked Mrs. Hoffman to look after her baby while she went and notified her neighbors. About eight o'clock that evening, nearly sixty people came bringing their chairs with them. I spoke to them for an hour and a half, and after the meeting we sold a lot of tracts. So the Lord helped us to leave our testimony with them, although we were there only over one night and were entire strangers. I obtained the names of some, and I believe that eternity will reveal some fruit as a result of this short visit. From there we went to a place of about sixteen thousand, where we have a little company of Sabbath-keepers. I held seven meetings in a temperance hall, and the Lord blessed. One, a brother in the Baptist church, said he would keep the Sabbath. A sister who had been canvassing around there took us out about twelve miles, where we held a meeting in a farm house. The people had us stay with the parish priest and his wife in their large house, where we

were made welcome. He was a learned man, and I took an interest in his translations from the Hebrew and Greek; and as he loved music, Mrs. Hoffman played some, and the old folks seemed pleased to have us there. The next evening he let us have a meeting in the assembly hall. The organist was there to play and sing, and about two bundred and fifty people gathered to listen to the message. They took up a collection to pay our fare there. At Abo, the old capital of Finland, we have a company of believers, where we stopped a few days. From there we went east on the road to St. Petersburg, to a little town where with a few brethren we went out to a lovely island on a pretty lake and had a Bible study and baptized one sister. These people spoke the Finnish language, but one brother understood the Swedish language, and translated for me. Oct. 1 Eld, Conradi came to Helsingfors. He remained two and one-half days. We organized a missionary society, and decided to print several new tracts,-thirty-five thousand copies in all. Since then every spare moment has been used in revising these. Oct. 9 we left home again for the most southern point of Finland, a place of six thousand, where there is one family of our people. Meetings were held for six nights in a hall, with good congregations. After visiting another place where we have a few brethren, we shall begin our winter's work at Borga. We long for help, and are looking for Bro. Fred Anderson every day. Soon the working time will be in the past, and we shall meet in the kingdom. You do not know how it cheers us to read in the BULLETIN of the work and the workers at home. May the Lord bless you all. JOHN HOFFMAN.

October 18.

## MISSIONARY WORK .-- NO. 5.

ORGANIZATION (CONTINUED).

The plan of organization and labor should be formulated according to the circumstances of the church. "Those who have the oversight of the churches should select members who have ability, and place them under responsibilities, at the same time giving them instruction as to how they may best serve and bless others." "But let one who has ability to devise ways whereby this talent may be utilized, lay out before these inactive ones the line of work they could do."—"Home Missionary Work," pp. 10, 11. Who are the overseers of the churches?—Those who

have the oversight of any branch of the Lord's work in the church. In other words, they are the officers of the church, missionary department, Sabbath-school, and young people's society. These should compose the official board of the church. They are to counsel together and "select members who have ability," and "one who has ability to lay out .... lines of work" which the members can do. The "one" is to lead in the work and the selected "members" are to assist in every way This plan precludes the possible. "one man" idea completely; for the responsibility of the overseers is not to be shifted upon the workers chosen. They are to counsel with these workers regarding all plans of labor to be presented before the church. "Why do not the overseers of the church have councils to devise ways whereby young men and women may be trained to put to use their entrusted talents?" This is the plan the Lord would have followed in the churches, but it has not been done; and now He asks why it has not

Dear workers, the time has come for advanced moves in the missionary work, that it be no longer a lifeless issue. Let the "councils" be held and the "ways" devised, if you wish to advance with the message. Walk out by faith, and God will work through you for the salvation of souls.

DELLA WALLACE.

## THE BOOK WORK.

## CANVASSERS' AND TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

"When will you hold the canvassers' institute?" "How long will it continue?" "Where will it be held?" "What will be the cost of attendance?" "Will you solicit donations for it?" "Who will be the instructors?" "What subjects will be studied?" "What text books should be brought?" The above are some of the questions that have been asked, and to which heretofore no definite answer could be given. But now we are prepared to answer some of them.

It is now planned to hold the teachers' and canvassers' institute at the same time and place, viz., at Marshalltown, Iowa, beginning Feb. 3, 1902, and continuing eight weeks. The instructors, so far as now known, will be Prof. Floyd Bralliar, O. E. Cummings, General Canvassing Agent for the North-western Union Conference, and the writer. Bro. E. R. Palmer, of

Battle Creek, Michigan, has promised to be with us a few days; and last, but by no means least, we expect the Spirit of all wisdom to be present to instruct us, both as students and teachers. Classes will be organized in Bible, arithmetic, grammar, history, physiology, psychology, missionary geography, and methods of teaching. side these, will be the book study and general instruction in methods of canvassing. No charge will be made for tuition, but a nominal charge will be made for board, only to cover actual expenses. We hope to make this as light as possible, perhaps not to exceed \$1.25 per week. All who come should bring plenty of bedding, and such household articles as they may desire to use, except table dishes. These will be furnished. The students will be expected to help in the domestic work, and should bring such garments as will admit of such use. Donations of provisions of any kind will be thankfully received, and applied in the most economical way possible. I have already received one letter saying: "We have some canned fruit and dried apples for your canvassers' school." We hope to speak of these things again from time to time; but mention them now at this early date, that some may have their questions answered, and that others may think and plan for their part in the work.

T. H. JEYS.

ALL our Conference workers whose reports have not yet been published, are requested to report in full for our next issue, including all orders taken to Nov. 16.

## CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK END-ING NOV. 8, 1901.

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Hrs.	Ord	. Val.	Helps.				
PROPHECIES OF	JESU	8.					
Lewis Hilliard 37	10	\$16.50	\$3.50				
THE COMING K	ING.						
Tilda Ward 20	2	\$ 2.75	81.75				
LADIES' GUII	DE.						
Phebe Vosburg10	1	\$ 3.00	\$12.05				
GREAT CONTRO	VERS	Y.					
John Manuel21	8	\$20.50	₹12.50				
HERALDS OF THE MORNING.							
G. W. Anglebarger 15	7	\$10.25	\$5.50				
OBJECT LESS	ONS.						
T. H. Jeys28	7	\$ 8.75					
Wm. J. Johnson20	7	8.75					
Chas. W. Heald15							
DELIVER	ES.						

Book	s.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
Phebe Vosburgh	5	\$15.00		
G. W. Anglebarger	3	4.50		2
Lewis Hilliard	1	1.75		
Henry Johnson	2	2.50		
SUMMA	AB	Y.		

No. of agents	9
" " orders	74
Value of "	\$110.50
" " helps sold	\$ 35.30
Total value	
Value of deliveries	8 23.75

## THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

#### HEALTH HINTS.

Do not put storm windows on your houses to keep out the pure, free air which God has given in such abundance; instead, open the windows at the top and bottom, and secure a free circulation of the air. It is better to pay a little more for fuel to warm this air, than to pay "docter bills," and then perhaps lose some of our loved ones because of lack of oxygen. Be sure that there is a good supply of fresh air in the sleeping room; and it will be all the betterifit do sget cold, provided you have a good bed to keep you warm. In the early days of this country it was not uncommon to get up in the morning and find that the snow had sifted in at the crevices and onto the bed. those days people were comparatively free from colds, pneumonia, and tuberculosis. We have become like hothouse plants. Let a breath of cold air strike us, and we wilt down. Instead, let us resolve to be as the sturdy oak; the more the winds beat against it, the stronger it becomes.

"Ir pure air is ever necessary it is when any part of the system, as the lungs or stomach, is diseased."

"It is impossible to go out in the bracing air of a winter's morning without inflating the lungs."

"Air is the free blessing of heaven, calculated to electrify the whole system."

## NOTES.

MISS MATILDA BROWN is nursing a patient in the city.

Miss Stella Pfaff is on night duty with a city patient.

THE patients are enjoying the physical culture class held each morning.

Among the improvements in the Sanitarium we note: A new stair carpet, new wallpaper in the dining room, and calcimine and fresh paint in the ladies' bath rooms.

MRS. FRANK BREWER, of Ruthven, is still with us, and we are glad to say that her little girl is improving daily. Sister Brewer will be remembered by many as Miss Mary Larson, at one time cook in our city mission here.

THE young people have found a number of the Lord's needy ones in the city during the past week, and have provided them with comfortable clothing, donated for the purpose. Much more along this line will be done this winter. Do you want a part in this work?

## THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

## QUESTIONS ON "TESTIMONIES ON SAB-BATH-SCHOOL WORK."

REVIEW.

Fourth week.

- 1. THE condition of our schools and the remedy.
- 2. The qualifications of teachers.
- 3. The work of the Holy Spirit and how to relate ourselves to it.
- 4. The tender watch-care of the angels.
- 5. The necessity for patience and perseverance.
- 6. The reasons for many failures in our work.

  7. The expertations and appeals made to Salvern
- 7. The exhortations and appeals made to Sabbath-school workers.  $^{+}$

## BRANCH SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

By making a few missionary visits, you may find those who would rejoice to have a good Sabbath-school in which their children can spend a part of the afternoon, and be learning the truths of the Bible. The fact of these schools being held upon the Sabbath calls attention to the Sabbath, as could not be done if they were held on Sunday. It is well to get people into the habit of attending meeting on the Sabbath, for we should work with the hope of leading them to see and accept the whole truth. Besides, those who attend their own churches on Sunday, have that day fully occupied, while the Sabbath is, with them, an open day. We hope our teachers will think of this plan. and ask God what He will have them to do in disseminating the light of truth. Look around you, and see how great is the need, and let the need fill you with missionary zeal.

The following extract from a talk given by Ida M. Walters, in a Sabbath-school council meeting during the late General Conference, sets forth the subject in a plain and attractive manner. It is given here with the earnest hope that many will be inspired with zeal to "go and do likewise."

"Last winter, while holding Bible readings with a mother and her three children, we were earnestly entreated to start a branch Sabbath-school in the neighborhood, where the children could be taught the Word of God. We considered the matter prayerfully, and decided to go forward in the work, believing that if we can not have the children come to us, we should go to them.

"The one who suggested that we start the branch Sabbath-school directed us to the church people with whom she worshiped, to rent from them their furnished room which they used for Sunday-school purposes. Here the Lord provided us with a room made ready with seats, organ, blackboard, etc."—S. S. Worker.

(To be continued.)

## Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, Nov. 19, 1901.

- —The week of prayer has been appointed for Dec. 21-28.
- -Bro. Lewis Johnson, of Ruthven, called while in the city on business last week.
- -Misses Ada Terwilleger and Martha Young, of this city, went to Pleasantville last Friday afternoon, returning on Sunday.
- —Miss Lizzie Neal visited relatives in Des Moines last week, going from here for a short vacation at home before returning to the work at Ottumwa.
- —Bro. H. J. Schnepper writes from Oregon City, Oregon: "We enjoy reading the good news from week to week, and are interested in every move that is made."
- —ELD. B. L. DIEFFENBACHER is taking a dental course at Omaha, Neb., with the purpose in view of preparing for a wider field of usefulness in his evangelistic work.
- —Miss Cora Shaw reports an enrollment of twenty in the church school at Sandyville. Her mother, Mrs. Nettie Shaw, of the Missionary Department Office, spent last Sabbath with her.
- —ELDS. L. F. STARR and N. C. Bergersen came to Des Moines from the State meeting, to meet with the Sanitarium Board, spending several days here in the interests of the State work.
- —MARRIED at the home of the bride's parents, Ames, Iowa, Thursday evening, Nov. 7, Bro. C. M. Peabody and Miss Mabel Will, Eld. W. B. Everhart officiating. The BULLETIN extends best wishes.
- —ELD. E. G. OLSEN has recently located near Forest City, which will be his address for some time. He expects to be actively engaged during the winter in bringing the Third Angel's Message to the attention of the Scandinavian people of that vicinity.
- —A RECOMMENDATION was passed at the late General Council to the effect that a general canvassing agent be appointed whose duty it shall be to labor in behalf of the circulation of our literature, and to unify the methods by which the work may be accomplished throughout the field. We understand that Bro. E. R. Palmer, who was present at our State meeting, has been selected to fill this position.

- —Mrs. H. C. Reicheneker, formerly of Des Moines, now in Seattle, Washington, a lady of over eighty years of age, in speaking of her experience selling "Christ's Object Lessons" says: "You would be surprised to know what good success I have in canvassing. While it is always a cross to enter a strange house, I have felt that I was doing the Lord's work, and have had some rich experiences. I am in excellent health; the outdoor exercise keeps me well."
- —Beginning with the November number, the Sentinel will be issued monthly in magazine form, sixty-four pages and cover. The price will remain the same,—\$1.00 per year. As a special inducement, the publishers make the following liberal offer: To all who subscribe before Jan. 1, 1902, sending \$1.00, the November and December numbers will be sent free, thus extending the subscription to January, 1903.
- —The General Conference Bulletin for the third quarter of 1901 is a valuable number, containing a very complete directory of the S. D. Adventist denomination, tabulated in such a way that information may be found in regard to any of our organized Conferences, mission fields, or institutions, with the locations of officers and other workers. A copy of this number will be mailed upon recept of 5 cents.
- —Bro. J. O. Johnson, of Parma, Idaho, sends money to renew his Bulletin for two years, saying: "We are thankful for its weekly visits. We are glad to hear that the workers are being scattered abroad; for by this we know that the message is being carried abroad, and that the end is near. God bless you all."
- —An evidence of the growing favor with which the health foods are regarded, is the increasing patronage of the Iowa Sanitarium Bakery. The sales for six months, beginning with May, 1901, amount to \$5,457.13, as compared with \$7,534.34 for the entire year just preceding.
- —From a recent letter from Eld. Matthew Larson we learn that he is about to enter upon field work in the Oklahoma Conference. In company with Eld. G. G. Rupert he was on his way to Putnam, where Bro. P. J. Darner, formerly of Iowa, lives.
- —Give me ten men who know no love but the love of God, and who have no fear but the fear of God, and I will set the world on fire.—Wesley.

- Owing to lack of space a number of obituaries are not published this week.
- -WE again call attention to the matter of renewing for the BULLETIN. If the date on the paster shows that you are in arrears, kindly renew at once.
- -"WE have reason to believe that God likes a repentant sinner a great deal better than he does a 'lukewarm' Christian. Compare John 6:37 and Rev. 3:15, 16."
- -THERE will not be many changes in the location of the Conference workers until after the two months' special effort in the work for "Christ's Object Lessons." The distribution-of labor report will therefore be given later.

## A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR 1902.

THE Correspondence Department of the Sanitarium Medical Missionary Training School will begin a new classat the commencement of the new year. Lessons are sent weekly to students who are unable to leave home duties in order to take a regular course at one of our sanitariums. This is the third year this course has been carried on, and scores are availing themselves of it. Studies on eleven subjects are given, among which missionary work and care and treatment of the sick are prominent. The tuition fee is \$3.00, which barely covers the cost of sending out the lessons. The books required for this work are furnished at actual cost. A descriptive circular giving full particulars, also testimonials from those who have taken the course, will be sent free upon applica-Address Correspondence Department Sanitarium Training School, Battle Creek, Michigan.

