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TERMS: 25 CENTS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

IMPORTANT!

It means something to God's people to take up the same work the ministers and Bible workers are now doing. "We are on trial before the universe." It will not do to depend alone on the ministers and Bible workers to sell our books. We can not work by proxy. "Remember that the nearer we approach to the time of Christ's coming, the more earnestly and firmly we are to work."

"The self-sacrificing efforts put forth by the members of our churches will prove a means of uniting them, that they may be sanctified, body, soul, and spirit, as vessels unto honor, prepared to receive the Holy Spirit." This work will unify the churches; and, further, it will prepare us to receive the Holy Spirit. "There are souls in desolate places who will be reached by this effort." Think of this: God's people will be united, souls will be saved, and the latter rain will come.

Are you satisfied with the past? Do you want to travel the same old path of do-nothing? Holy Ghost power is promised. Are you content with so little power in the church? Some churches and companies are planning to go out and sell "Christ's Object Lessons," and some have already begun the work. Will not all take it up at once? "Let not your interest flag." We hear some say that they can not canvass. "Let us have faith in God.

In His name let us carry forward His work without flinching. The work He has called us to do, He will make a blessing to us."

Our greatest danger to-day is in the fact that we are ignoring the instruction the Lord has given. Shall we continue to do this by neglecting to sell "Christ's Object Lessons"? "But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day." He says, "Take my yoke upon you." It is the yoke of love. God never intends that we should have a burdensome religion. He tells in His book of "peace like a river." A river never flows up hill. There are promised blessings to those who will work. May the Lord stir our hearts to do a greater work this fall and winter than at any time in the past.

L. F. STARR.

THE JAIL AND POORHOUSE WORK.

As most of our readers know, we have for the past three years been mailing the *Signs*, *Instructor*, and *Life Boat* to the county jails and poorhouses, also the State institutions, of Iowa. Encouraging responses have come from many of the officials having charge of these institutions, and correspondence has been conducted with a number of the inmates whose names have been furnished us. In planning to continue this work for another year, we are earnestly seeking to know the best way to come in touch with these unfortunate people, and aid those who desire to lead a better life. To all interested in this line of work the following from a letter recently received from Dr. David Paulson will be of interest:—

"We should in some way get in contact with those prisoners who seem to be especially anxious to reform. We ought to be the people above all others

to lend a helping hand to such. Christ says, "I was in prison, and ye visited me." The popular notion that the prisoner is a meaner man than any body outside the prison is the greatest possible mistake. There are plenty of worse men outside the prison walls than are confined within them; and many of them hold honorable positions in society, and, I am sorry to say, are sometimes in the church.

"I feel that the time has come when we must get ourselves before the world in a true light. I am amazed to find how many good people there are who keep themselves at a distance from us, because they have been totally mistaken in regard to the work we are trying to accomplish in the world. I do not know why we should not hold out a helping hand, and encourage every good work and those who are leading it; and if we are what we ought to be, they will catch something from us. If they have something that is good that we have not, it will do us good to get it. We must no longer fold our garments of exclusiveness about us, but *minge* with the people, having all the time one hand on the throne of God, so we shall never lose our bearings."

MISSIONARY WORK.—NO. 5.

QUALIFICATIONS OF THE SECRETARY.

1. HE must have ability to plan work for the individual members, and tact, that he may present the plans in such a way that each one may see the necessity of taking part in the work and doing that which is assigned them.
2. He must be active. "The office of secretary is one of the most important in the church. Upon the one who occupies this position the responsibility of directing the missionary work must rest. The members of the church have a right to look to their secretary for

direction, for counsel, and for plans of labor. An indolent, careless secretary throws a chilling lethargy over the church, and retards its progress spiritually. A wide-awake, faithful, earnest secretary encourages the faint-hearted, instructs the ignorant, and inspires all hearts with a desire to do something for the Master. Generally speaking, the activity of the church is gauged by that of the secretary.

"Prayerful care should be exercised in the choice of a secretary. The office is not one in name only. Properly to perform its duties, takes time and consecrated effort. It should be occupied by men and women who are devoted Christians. The responsibility should be realized." DELLA WALLACE.

FIELD REPORTS.

MT. PLEASANT CHURCH SCHOOL MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

THE school here has organized a Co-operative Industrial Society for the purpose of doing missionary work. Of course it was necessary to have some money to begin with, so we decided to earn it ourselves. Last Friday afternoon we procured a nice lot of wall pockets of Bro. C. W. Smouse, and started out, taking papers to distribute also in different parts of the city. The result of two hours' labor was one hundred and two papers given away, and a profit of \$1.68 on wall pockets for our treasury. We enjoy sowing seed for the Master, and this will not be our last attempt.

A. MAE GEORGE, *Teacher.*

BLENCOE.

WE had one of the very best quarterly meetings Oct. 26, ever held at Blencoe. It seemed that every one was filled with the Holy Spirit, and some who had felt discouraged and did not expect to take part at all, said the spirit seemed catching, and before they really knew what they were doing gave in encouraging testimonies. Even the children caught the spirit. After the ordinances had been celebrated and we were singing the closing hymn, one of the youth sent a request to join the church. Our elder, Bro. N. L. McClintock, announced the fact to the congregation, and asked if there were any others present who wished to connect with the church, when two more of the youth responded. How it made our hearts rejoice to see the young people taking their stand on the Lord's side. To Him be all the praise. Some of our children had united with the church some time before, subject to baptism, making seven candidates in all for baptism. We met on the banks of the Little Sioux River to solemnize this blessed rite the following Sabbath, Nov. 2. The Onawa company met with us, and one of their young people was baptized also. LYDIA E. MOORE.

OBITUARY.

SEELEY.—Died, in Fayette, Iowa, Sept. 24, 1901, David Ross Seeley, aged 90 years, 2 months, and 13 days.

Bro. Seeley was born near Syracuse, New York. He accepted the Adventist faith in 1843, and in 1844 drank of the bitter cup, which was, as he expressed it, "exceedingly bitter." Words of comfort and admonition were found in Heb. 10:35-39. He was one who did not cast away his confidence, but believed to the saving of his soul. Up to his death, although he was deprived of his physical sight two years or more, the promise of Christ's early personal return to the earth was the branch that sweetened the bitter waters, and was a light to his soul far outshining the sun at midday. Another pioneer has fallen, one of those who witnessed the last sign hung out in the heavens by our Lord, of whom some are to live to see Him come. The funeral services were held in the Congregational church, and were conducted by the writer assisted by the pastor. E. H. ADAMS.

MONROE.—Died, Sunday, Sept. 23, 1901, at the home of her nephew, E. H. Perrin, Monroe, Iowa. Mrs. Sarah E. Monroe, aged about sixty-eight years.

Up to within about eighteen months of her death, Aunt Sarah enjoyed remarkably good health. In February, 1900, she fell and broke one of her ankles; and about that time a cancer of the face, which before seemed rather insignificant, began to develop rapidly. Thus during the last few months she gradually failed, until, like the candle fully burned, the light of life departed. For twenty years she was a believer in present truth; and her profession of Christianity was no vain thing. In her last illness she suffered much, but bore it all patiently; and her only regret was that, as it seemed to her, she was such a care for others. Appropriate funeral services were conducted by the pastor of the M. E. church, and she was laid away to rest for "a little season." W. E. P.

NOE.—Died, at College Springs, Iowa, Wednesday, Oct. 23, 1901, E. C. Noe.

Father Noe would have been ninety years old had he lived until next March. He united with the S. D. Adventist church in Clarinda at its organization, and was a faithful member. He leaves one son and two daughters, beside other relatives and many friends, to mourn. Rev. Martin, of the U. P. church, conducted the funeral exercises. J. N. CROSS.

THE BOOK WORK.

THE SECRET OF SUCCESS.

WE give below some of the thoughts presented by Bro. E. R. Palmer, World Canvassing Agent, at the State meeting:—

"It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth from the mouth of God." This word is dependent upon the One who gives us life through our daily bread; He is the Bread of Life. We naturally drift, subject to circumstances. Instead of controlling circumstances, we allow circumstances to control us. We ought to live by the Word; it is power, and our source of strength should come from God instead of the material things in life.

"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." We are only what we think we are. A man who has supreme confidence in a thing can encounter all difficulties and be stronger after having met them. God's power is not limited to crops or money; He can create circumstances for us as we go along. A man who has supreme confidence in God can sell books where there is a drouth. Some of the greatest successes have been made in such territory. The man who believes that the gold and silver is the Lord's and the cattle upon a thousand hills, who can reach up and take hold of the Lord, and make circumstances for himself, is the man who can sell books in a drouth. A drouth never hurts a person unless it gets inside of the man himself. When the enemy is outside the gates of the city, the city is safe; but as soon as he gets in, the city is in danger.

I read in the Testimonies that "There should be one hundred canvassers in the field where there is now one." If this means anything, it means that our canvassing work is not in harmony with God's idea. When God says there should be one hundred canvassers in the field where there is now one, *He has the one hundred men.* This is *God's work* and *He has the men.*

During the time when the early church could not do much on account of persecution, the work was first carried forward by written articles, which were circulated from door to door throughout Germany and Switzerland. I believe the time will come when we will be scattered, and go from house to house to spread the truth. A hunter goes among the rocks and searches for his prey; it does not come to him.

The whole work of God is a paradox. All the promises of God are contrary to nature. Christ conquered by dying; we have more, by giving. Every dollar we give comes back, some thirty-, some sixty-, and some one hundred-fold. Our greatest victories are achieved when we are the weakest. "God is most when man is least."

CORRECTION.—Chas. W. Heald's report last week read fifteen hours, but he worked 15 days.

Do not report *orders* for helps; report value of helps when delivered.

"TIME lost in mending nets is saved in catching fish."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING NOV. 15, 1901.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	42	19	\$37.75	\$6.85
THE COMING KING.				
Tilda Ward.....	22	1	\$ 1.00	\$1.00
Mrs. H. L. Stenberg.....	3	1	1.00	1.50
LADIES' GUIDE.				
Phebe Vosburg.....	19			\$2.33
GREAT CONTROVERSY.				
John Manuel.....	20	4	\$10.50	\$10.75
HERALDS OF THE MORNING.				
G. W. Anglebarger.....	9	3	\$ 4.50	\$2.50
MARVEL OF NATIONS.				
G. W. Anglebarger.....	7		\$10.25	
Mrs. Myra Tolsted.....	6	5	7.25	
BIBLE READINGS.				
A. A. Toliver.....	45	25	\$56.50	\$9.25
CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS.				
*Wm. Guthrie.....	47		\$58.75	
W. E. Frederick.....	24	8	10.00	\$2.75
Henry Johnson.....	9		11.25	
F. M. Corbaley.....	18	19	23.75	
*J. H. Wierts.....	13		16.25	
Henry Rorholm.....	33	14	17.50	
Arthur McClintock.....	5		6.25	
Calvin V. Starr.....	29	3	3.75	3.00
*H. L. Stenberg.....	41	3	3.75	.70
Carl Jensen.....	18	9	11.25	
*Mrs. Carl Jensen.....	44	17	21.25	
*C. T. Adams.....	11		13.75	
C. E. Rentfro.....	14	6	7.50	.50
*Lloyd Manfull.....	40	13	16.25	
*Ollie G. Manfull.....	55	23	28.75	
*L. Tillie Earle.....	37	15	18.75	
*Katie Earle.....	55	19	23.75	
DELIVERIES.				
	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
John Casperson.....	28	\$30.00		3
Lewis Hilliard.....	1	1.75		
Tilda Ward.....	1	1.00		
Phebe Vosburgh.....	2	6.00		
Wm. Guthrie.....	15	18.75		
Henry Johnson.....	2	2.50		
H. L. Stenberg.....	2	2.50		
Mrs. Carl Jensen.....	3	3.75		
Katie Earle.....	3	3.75		
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				27
" " orders.....				299
Value of ".....		\$417.25		
" " helps sold.....		\$ 41.13		
Total value.....		\$458.38		
Value of deliveries.....		\$ 70.00		
*Two weeks.....				
†Three weeks.....				

THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

HEALTH HINTS.

DURING the first years of child life the boy and the girl are treated alike, and the girl is equal in physical development to the boy in every respect. If their play is not restricted by too careful parents, they continue about equal in strength until twelve years of age, when the girl is slightly in advance of her brother in height, weight, and strength. Not infrequently the doting mother then begins to fear that her daughter is growing too strong, so she is kept in the house at needle work; and she is warned so repeatedly not to be a "Tom-boy," that she begins to feel that it is wrong to run a race with her brother. On the other hand, the boy is allowed to give vent to all the noise he pleases, with the feeling that "boys will be boys." At this period the daughter's waist is as large as her brother's; but for fear that she will be strong and look mannish, her waist is encased to prevent further growth. On account of this the movements are restricted, and she does not feel so much like playing as she did, and so stays indoors more and more. At last the fond parents' hopes for their daughter are realized, and she grows more quiet, her strength becomes less and less, and she complains of headache and backache. At the age of sixteen the boy is strong and vigorous, and half a head taller than his sister.

This is the popular method of child training. Is it the way you are going to train your children? or will you allow their physical development to be equal, as the Lord intended it to be?

NOTES.

MISS DELTA VAUGHN has returned from Ogden, Iowa, where she was engaged in nursing for three weeks.

SISTER JUHL returned to her home at Exira, Iowa, last week, feeling much better than when she came to the Sanitarium.

SISTER MARY BREWER and baby Velma returned to their home last Friday. We are glad to say that little Velma was much improved.

THE Sanitarium was the recipient of some nice gifts last week. Among them were a box of choice chrysanthemums, from Mr. E. C. Keck, of Washington, Iowa; and a number of dainty splashers, of Madras cloth, for the private rooms, from Mrs. F. T. Piper, of Sheldon. These gifts are much appreciated.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

ABIDE IN HIM.

BE not too busy with thy work and care
To look to God, to clasp thy hand in His;
Thou needst not all alone thy burden bear.
Listen and wait, obey, and learn His will;
His love and service all thy life shall fill.
—Selected.

QUESTIONS ON "TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH-SCHOOL WORK."

(December Study, pp. 47-52.)

CO-OPERATION WITH CHRIST.

First week.

1. What is the real test of success in Sabbath-school work? Note the effect of a formal religion.
2. How may the teacher supplement the work of the Holy Spirit?
3. What instruction is given concerning personal work? (Plans should be laid whereby this work may be carried on in every school.)
4. "What evidence can we give to the world that the Sabbath-school work is not a mere pretense?"
5. What training should be given Christian youth in our Sabbath-schools?
6. How may a growth in grace be made?
7. What question should every teacher and scholar ask? Note the answer.

BRANCH SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

(Concluded from last week.)

"WE placed the matter before the Sabbath-keepers in the neighborhood in which we were going to locate our Sabbath-school, and received the hearty co-operation of all in the missionary enterprise. We also placed the matter before the regular Sabbath school, which was five miles distant.

"A regular canvass of the neighborhood was not made for scholars, but friends were invited to come and bring their children, or send them. Aside from the older ones, there were about twenty-five children present at the opening of the school, twenty of whom have attended with deep interest from the beginning.

"The children soon became so deeply interested in their lessons that they carried the truth home to their parents. I will cite one instance: A little girl of thirteen years wanted to know why some people kept Sunday and we kept Saturday as the Sabbath. The question was answered from the Bible in the form of a Bible reading, following the Sabbath-school; and she carried the truth thus learned to her Sunday-school teacher, the minister, and her mother. The little girl and her mother soon commenced the observance of the Sabbath. Two sisters who had given up the truth were, through their children, brought to the Sabbath-school, and again commenced the study of the Word of God."—S. S. Worker.

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—BRO. AND SISTER H. L. STENBERG met with the Pilot Mound church last Sabbath.

—MRS. ALICE SCOTT, of Carroll, Iowa, makes a request for papers for use in a reading rack.

—THE workers at Ida Grove and vicinity have thought best to bring the work there to a close for the present, on account of a smallpox scare. Eld. W. B. Everhart is now located at Sac City, and Bro. and Sister G. R. Hawkins at Lisbon.

—BRO. F. L. MOODY, now State agent in Indiana, writes concerning the work there: "The Lord has especially blessed, and we have taken over fifteen hundred dollars' worth of orders in the last six weeks. I am encouraged by the present outlook."

—WE are all interested in our Iowa boys and girls, and wish to keep informed as to their whereabouts. Bro. Lyman Graham, formerly of Des Moines, writes asking that the BULLETIN be sent to him at 11 W. 20th St., New York City, to which place he has been called to connect with the *Sentinel* office.

—EVEN the busy mothers may have a little part in the canvassing work. One of them writes thus: "After reading the letter from the Mission Board on missionary work, and praying much, I put baby in his cab with my book satchel in front, and started out. I do not have much spare time, but God blessed me during the time I was out."

—BRO. J. W. CROUSE, of Parkersburg, relates the following experience: "The other day, as I was walking along the street near my home, a lady, —the wife of one of our leading business men,—called my name, asking me to come in. I sold her two books last winter, and now she was anxious to get two more. When I took them to her she said: 'Those are excellent books; you ought to take them with you wherever you go. Show them to the people; I know there are many who would be glad to get them.' This set me to thinking. I believe there is a work for us all to do right around home. I have sold books of some kind in almost every house in this section of the country, and I want to call on the people again. The Lord will bless every effort we put forth to advance His work."

—THE following are a few of the important topics considered in the Mid-winter number of *Good Health*: Deleterious Effects from the Use of Tea, Coffee, Meat, and Alcohol upon the System; Water as a Remedial Agent in the Treatment of Disease; Advance Grounds on the Question of Meat; Some Simple Methods Accessible to Everyone for the Relief of Pain; Food Value of Alcohol; Child Culture; Physical Culture; Wholesome Merrymaking; Diseases of Children Common in Winter. The articles are strong, clear, and pointed, and should be read by thousands. This number will interest doctors, lawyers, teachers, bankers, and business men. It is a missionary number, and it will be real missionary work to place it in the hands of your neighbors and friends. "The circulation of our health journals will be a powerful agency in preparing the people to accept those special truths that are to fit them for the soon coming of the Son of Man." Price 10 cents per single copy; ten or more copies to one address, 5 cents each. Send to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

—WE are waiting with interest for the appearance of the *Sentinel of Christian Liberty* in its new form,—that of a sixty-four-page magazine. There are evidences indicating a deep undercurrent, carrying with it mighty influences, the results of which will ere long affect our work seriously. It is the mission of the *Sentinel* to arouse us and keep us informed as to the leading issues of the day. The subscription price remains the same,—\$1.00 per year,—and the same rates are allowed on clubs.

—ANDREW H. WILCOX, who has been before the insanity commissioners for the past few days on charge of being insane, was ordered sent to the hospital at Mt. Pleasant, Saturday. Two deputy sheriffs will leave with him today. —*Iowa State Register*, Nov. 24.

—DEC. 21-28 has been appointed by the General Conference as a time for special prayer. Readings have been prepared for the occasion, and will be sent to all the churches and companies and isolated Sabbath-keepers.

—WE have been requested to announce that the time of services in the S. D. Adventist church at Atlantic has been changed from 2 o'clock p. m. to 10 o'clock a. m.

—*Good Health* and *Signs of the Times*, both for one year, clubbed together for \$1.75.

—SAMPLE copies of the *Hygienic Caterer* may be obtained by dropping a postal card, giving your address, to D. D. Fitch, Guadalajara, Mexico, Apartado, 138.

THE "LIFE BOAT."

Do you know of any in your community who are beginning to doubt seriously whether God is still working the same miracles of grace on the human heart as He did in days of old? If you do, why not expend twenty-five cents in their behalf by supplying them with a year's subscription to the *Life Boat*? Perhaps it will attract their attention, and thus the way may be opened to help them still further. If you are not already a subscriber, can you not afford to send twenty-five cents to have this journal, filled as it is from cover to cover with the triumphs of the gospel, make its monthly visits to your home? The November number contains a strong article from Lucy Page Gaston, on the Anti-cigarette movement; and another extremely valuable article from Prof. W. W. Prescott, on "The Relation of Diet to Character." Col. Hadley, the well known New York evangelist, writes out his impressions on visiting our Life Boat Mission in a very interesting manner. H. L. Henderson, chaplain of the Indiana State prison, tells from his own experience how we may do something for the prisoners. The *Life Boat* and the WORKER'S BULLETIN can be furnished together to new subscribers for 40 cents, or the *Life Boat* alone at 25 cents per year. Address Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

DAVID PAULSON.

NOTICE.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Sanitarium and Benevolent Association, it was decided that owing to the high prices on food products, in order to clear expense, it would be necessary to charge transients coming to the Sanitarium at the rate of twenty-five cents each for meals and lodging. J. D. SHIVELY, Pres.

APPOINTMENTS.

NOTHING preventing general meetings will be held as follows:—

Des Moines, Dec. 3-8, 1901.
Grant City, " 17-22, "

Surrounding churches are invited.

L. F. STARR.