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### TO CONFERENCE WORKERS.

As we are nearing the next quarterly audit, we hope all the brethren and sisters in the Conference employ will make out their reports so as to send them in by the last day of January or the evening of the first day of February. The audit will be made the fore part of the following week. All who want their reports audited at that time should have them in early. We are glad that most of the workers have put in their forty days canvassing for "Christ's Object Lessons." Now, brethren and sisters, we hope that you will sell this book whenever and wherever you can this winter and spring, and that hundreds will yet be sold. Please report the number of orders taken and books delivered during your forty days' canvass. L. F. STARR.

### FROM NEWFOUNDLAND.

PERHAPS a note from us in this far away corner will be read with interest. We now have the pleasure of a heavy snow storm about once in every twenty-four hours; and the snow, on account of the Gulf Stream being only forty miles out, melts to a slush, making walking knee deep and sickness common. The Gulf Stream is our best stove, in fact the only one many people have. Fireplaces are more common. The warm water does not always come in as it has this winter, but is often over one hundred miles out. When

this is the case, the snow becomes very deep, sometimes from fifteen to twenty feet. The people do not like this kind of a winter, as they can not drive their dogs through the slush, nor their horses scarcely.

Well, I will tell you a little of how Christmas is observed here. It is a twelve-day season, beginning the 25th of December. The rich have big dinners, and the poor have such as they can afford. But even though they starve for a fortnight before, they have a good Christmas dinner. It is the custom to invite all of one's friends, and to give cake to every one, no matter who he be, friend or foe. At night the people dress in grotesque costumes, and make calls. My first call was from nine persons in mask and night clothes, talking in a strange accent. I invited them in, and tried to entertain them. In a few nights many more came, and some of our very near neighbors who had not been in our house before are now good friends of ours by this odd introduction. Very well-to-do people take this way of finding out whether one entertains strangers or not. We have not been alone one night for a month excepting Friday night. People know that we keep the Sabbath, and they are very careful not to molest us then.

Many of the natives are somewhat mixed with the Indians. There are two tribes of Indians here,—the Mickmacks and a tribe of people who must at one time have been Northmen or some such race. They talk a different tongue, yet it is so nearly like the English that we can talk with them. As a rule people are very slow to learn. There are no public schools, and denominational schools attempt to fill the vacancy.

CHAS. A. HANSEN.

Harbor Grace, Newfoundland.

### FROM INDIANA.

Dear Brethren and Sisters: We have often thought of you all since we left dear old Iowa. To us "There is no place like home;" yet we have been content, because we were in the Master's work. We have enjoyed our work very much, and see many evidences of God's love and care for His people. We first located in Battle Creek, remaining there until the latter part of September. It was then thought best for us to give all our time to the work in Indiana; so we located in Boggstown, a pleasant little village twenty miles south of Indianapolis. There is a church of about fifty members here, and a good church school, which is a great blessing to our children. We have all enjoyed good health, but by a sad misfortune our little Naomi was badly scalded. She has suffered greatly, but is now getting better. We are endeavoring to be faithful, and hope to be ready to meet the dear Lord in peace.

Yours in Christ,

F. L. MOODY AND WIFE.

Jan. 16.

### MISSIONARY WORK.—NO. 12.

#### DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

HE should instruct the members on all general lines of work. This duty has been much neglected by secretaries. Many think that if they present the general lines of work once before the society it is sufficient. We have known of societies where the members did not know the meaning of the terms second and fourth Sabbath donations; and some who were familiar with these terms, did not know what the donations were for or why they are given at stated times. Others do not know that they are expected to report the missionary work they do. There are

many societies where the tract work is scarcely ever mentioned, and where tracts for free distribution are unknown. Some societies have tracts on hand, but the secretary never speaks of them; consequently, they lie in the desk for months and even years. Then when a secretary is appointed who feels the responsibility of his office, and begins to talk of taking up the tract work, he is confronted with a lot of old out-of-date tracts, which must be disposed of before the society is willing to purchase more.

In "Gospel Workers," p. 334, are these statements: "The tract and missionary work is a good work. It is God's work." "Vigilant missionary work must in no case be neglected." The question is, Have we been vigilant? Remember, "It is God's work," and He has called us to give the message in this generation. Then scatter our tracts and periodicals "like the leaves of autumn."

DELLA WALLACE.

## FIELD REPORTS.

### AMONG THE CHURCHES.

SINCE my last report I have visited the churches at Blencoe, Onawa, Council Bluffs, and Atlantic. The brethren and sisters faithfully attended the meetings, and enjoyed the word as it was presented to them. The special work of reform was introduced, and the brethren and sisters expressed a desire to have a closer walk with the Lord. Those who were despondent and felt tempted to give up the race, took hold anew to go forward with God's people to the kingdom. Many rejoiced, and joined heartily in taking up the work of reform, faithfully to carry it through until our blessed Lord comes in the clouds of heaven. In all of these places the members who were present took their stand for real reform, which means a change of life, a coming up onto higher ground. We greatly rejoice in the Lord, because His people are so willing to take up this work. We hope that God's people everywhere will turn to Him, and seek for life and power, that the church may arise and shine. We know that those who do this will be a power and glory in the earth. We hope that all will earnestly take up the tract and missionary work and house-to-house work. Souls are perishing all around, and God's people have brought a curse upon themselves by not being willing to take up the

different lines of missionary work and carry them forward.

At Onawa and Council Bluffs church schools have been organized. Satan has many hindrances in the way, but the church school will prepare our young people and children to have a part in the closing work of God. At Council Bluffs four persons were taken into church fellowship, and at Atlantic one sister was received into the church and one young sister gave her heart to the Lord. May God bless His people, and may they walk in the light as He desires they should. We are living amid the perils of the last days. Our work is an earnest one. May we all be prepared for the soon coming King.

L. F. STARR.

### ONAWA.

ELDS. L. F. STARR, N. C. Bergerson, and T. H. Jeys visited us January 6 and 9, holding meetings Wednesday afternoon and evening and Thursday morning. We feel thankful for the good work done while they were here, and for the inspiring sermons preached by them. We especially appreciated the visit from Bro. Starr, after three years' absence. As a result of their most earnest labor, an unusually good quarterly meeting was held the following Sabbath, and a renewed courage and zeal was evident. We gladly welcomed four new members into the church.

Our sympathy and prayers go with our President, as he labors in the field where God has placed him.

CARRIE ELMER.

### BLENCOE.

JANUARY 7 the Blencoe church was favored with a visit from Elds. L. F. Starr and N. C. Bergersen. There was a good attendance at the day meeting. A straight testimony was borne, and the work of reform was brought plainly before us. A good spirit was present; and a willingness to receive all the message and walk with the light as it advances, entered our hearts. One brother who had long been on the background made a new start in the Lord's service, and all felt encouraged and strengthened to go forward. May the Lord help us in these days of peril to be true to principle and faithful in all our duties, that when Jesus comes we may receive the reward of eternal life. The work of these faithful brethren was much appreciated.

MRS. S. A. McCLINTOCK.

### RUTHVEN.

OUR enrollment has increased from fifteen to twenty-seven. This is all that our little school room will accommodate. The attendance is good, though some living in the country have four miles to come. The interest seems to be increasing. We take twenty copies each of the *Advocate* and *Life Boat* regularly. With the co-operation of the patrons, who are daily praying for their children, the work must prosper; for "The battle is the Lord's." As we heed the injunction of Moses to Israel, "Go forward," the way is cleared. O, for a faith that accepts the promises of God, not only for ourselves but for the youth,—a faith that works, snatching them as "brands from the burning." "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith." Then let us "Be strong and of good courage;" for we shall soon reap in joy what we have sown in tears.

PEARL D. BASCOM.

## OBITUARY.

JOHNSON.—Died, at Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 15, 1901, of cancer of the stomach, Sister Lena Johnson, aged fifty-seven years.

Sister Johnson was born in Norway, and accepted the truths of the third angel's message in that country under the labors of our late Bro. J. G. Matteson. With her husband and children she came to America, and for more than fifteen years has faithfully represented the truth in this city. Her companion died several years ago, and thus she was left to rear her family of four daughters and one son alone. Her children all reside here, and deeply mourn the loss of a godly mother. The church here misses her presence and cheering testimony. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Rev. 14:13. J. C. CLEMENS.

## THE BOOK WORK.

### READ THIS.

THERE is still opportunity to help in the matter of the expenses of the canvassers' and teachers' institute. We solicit donations to the general expense fund. Brethren, this is not the work of the State Agent and Superintendent alone. It is *your* work. Shall we let it languish? We should not. Let the men of means search out those who should be at the school, and encourage them to come. How can this be done? —Not simply by talking about it, but

by loaning the means if necessary. How much will you invest in some young man or woman of talent? Men invest money gladly in mines and farms, stocks, bonds, securities, etc., expecting returns in the future development of these interests. How much will you invest in *men*? Will you loan money to the Lord? Or do you think that the security is not good, or that the Lord is not interested in this line of work?

Wanted.—Twenty men who will invest twenty dollars each in a business that the Lord says should never be left to languish.

Wanted.—One hundred young men and women who are soundly converted and filled with the spirit of the Master, to help roll away the reproach from our good State.

Brethren, there are those in the State who have ability and a desire to prepare for the church school and canvassing work who will be kept from attending this school for want of means. We know who some of these are. Will you not furnish the means for them to attend? We are anxious to hear from those who will help in this. Again we urge all our brethren to encourage our young people of ability to attend the school. Send donations to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

T. H. JEYS,  
FLOYD BRALLIAR.

Marshalltown, Iowa.

As will be seen by this week's report, Bro. Lewis Hilliard is again in the field. He says: "I am glad to be able to send in another report. The Lord has blessed me, for which I praise His holy name. It is a great deal better to be at work than to stay at home."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JAN. 17, 1902.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	28	9	\$15.25	\$2.25
GREAT CONTROVERSY.				
John Manuel.....	23	4	\$10.50	\$4.85
CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS.				
E. G. Olsen.....	20		\$25.00	
MISCELLANEOUS.				
J. W. Crouse.....	18	17	\$18.45	
DELIVERIES.				
Books. Value. Helps. Lost.				
Henry Johnson.....	23		\$28.75	
Lewis Hilliard.....	2		3.00	

SUMMARY.

No. of agents.....	5
" " orders.....	50
Value of ".....	\$ 69.20
" " helps sold.....	\$ 7.10
Total value.....	\$ 76.30
Value of deliveries.....	\$ 31.75

THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

SPIRITUAL LAW IN THE NATURAL WORLD.

DID you know that the entire gospel is presented as a living picture in the visible creation, and that everything in nature represents some feature of the wondrous power of God unto salvation? It is even so. Drummond wrote about "Natural Law in the Spiritual World;" he had a glimpse of the truth, but an inverted one. The truth is that spiritual law reigns in the natural world. For example, the continual renewing of our bodies, the amazing promptness with which wounds heal if the system is given any chance at all, is a standing lesson to us of the power of the new birth. A severe blow destroys the flesh in a certain part of the body; it drops away or is cut out by the surgeon's knife, and soon new flesh takes its place. In view of these well known, yet mysterious, occurrences, who can doubt God's power to make a man all over entirely new? For the power that makes a new muscle or adds to the size of the muscle in the growing child, and which makes new blood for us every day, is the very same power that is able to do for us spiritually "exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think." Eph. 3:20. Indeed, the fact that we are born at all, together with the fact that God is love, is sufficient pledge of the glorious truth. But the existence of men who have been transformed by the renewing of their minds, puts an end to all controversy; for what is the use of arguing about whether or not God can do a thing, when He has already done it? E. J. WAGGONER.

NOTES.

A NUMBER of new arrivals again during the week.

MISS MARY HASKELL has returned from a month's stay at home at Garwin.

DR. EMMA A. PERRINE was called to Tama last week, in consultation over a very sick patient.

MISS MARY ANDERSON, of Emmetsburg, has returned to her duties as matron of the ladies' bathroom. Her mother came with her for a course of treatment.

It is the Lord's purpose that in every part of our world health institutions shall be established as a branch of the gospel work.—*Testimonies Vol. 6.*

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

QUESTIONS ON "TESTIMONIES ON SABBATH SCHOOL WORK."

(February Study, pp. 58-61.)

First week.

1. In the text quoted what are we told to do, and what not to do? Where is this text?
2. In what two ways must we learn in order to be successful laborers? Study the value of both ways.
3. What growth is required? Of what is this growth an evidence? What power does it bring?
4. Give three reasons why God has written to the youth.
5. What habits does He desire them to have? Why?
6. What kind of service does God accept?
7. What does every branch of God's work demand? (Is the Sabbath-school work included in this? Are we giving it our best efforts?)

LIFELONG SERVICE.

THE Lord calls for young men and women to gird themselves for lifelong, earnest labor in the Sabbath-school work. Spasmodic efforts will not avail to accomplish much good, or to make you successful laborers in the work of God. By patient continuance in well-doing, you are to become laborers together with God. You are to reckon yourselves the servants of God by the day. Be diligent in your work for one day, and see that you make no crooked paths for your feet, lest the lame be turned out of the path of rectitude by your misdoings.—*Testimonies on Sabbath-school work.*

God makes every worker responsible for the fullest possible development of the faculties of his intellect. None should be content to remain dwarfs. There are heights for all to gain, both mentally and morally. Growth in grace accompanies a growth in the knowledge of God. Some mental knowledge of God as revealed in His Word must precede the entrance of that Word into the heart. After completing the translation of the Scriptures into the Indian tongue, Elliott wrote, "Prayer and pains, with faith in God, will accomplish anything." In the words of Carey, we must expect great things from God; and attempt great things for God. There is much truth in the oft-repeated phrase, "God helps the man who helps himself." Thus God responds to our desires after Him, to our efforts to make all of ourselves it is possible to make. We are never to rest satisfied. In God's service there is no commencement exercise; there are no graduation papers bestowed.—*Home Missionary.*

NINE boxes of clothing have been received from different Sabbath-schools in the State for the poor, and more are on the way. Many a home has been brightened as a result.

## Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, JAN. 28, 1902.

—ELD. WM. GUTHRIE and Bro. Calvin Starr are conducting meetings five miles north-east of Stuart.

—BRO. WM. JOHNSON is holding meetings near Hartley, with an excellent attendance and interest.

—MISS DORA CARPENTER, of Bloomfield, is in this city for a few weeks, enjoying a visit with her sister, Mrs. W. E. Perrin.

—THE church and school at Adel were much encouraged by a visit from Eld. T. H. Jeys and Prof. Floyd Bral-liar last Sabbath and Sunday.

—PROF. FLOYD BRALIAR visited Sandyville last week, and reports very favorably concerning the progress of the church school at that place.

—ELD. L. F. STARR spent a few hours at the Office last Sunday. He with Eld. N. C. Bergersen will hold meetings at Winterset next Sabbath.

—BLANKS were mailed last week to all our Conference laborers. Notify our Conference secretary, Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, if you have not received yours.

—MRS. LYDIA PAYNE, with her daughter and little son, now meets with the Des Moines church, having recently moved to this city from Centerville.

—CAN any of our missionary workers use back numbers of our Scandinavian or German papers? We have a small supply for free distribution on hand at this Office.

—SISTER E. G. WHITE and party arrived safely at their California home. Sister White not only stood the journey well, but her condition is much improved.—*Tennessee Watchman.*

—BRO. THOMPSON LOWERY, of Osceola, writes that he expects soon to go to Nashville, Tennessee, and requests that a notice be made to the effect that Bro. Chas. Montgomery, the leader, will now have charge of all the church business at Osceola.

—THOSE having charge of the reading rack at Woodbine find it impossible to keep it supplied with reading matter. Quite a large number of the *Sentinel*, *Instructor*, *Our Little Friend*, *Life Boat*, and *Signs* can be used regularly, also tracts, as an excellent interest is manifested. Address Edith Crowell, Woodbine, Harrison county, Iowa.

—BRO. AND SISTER F. W. PATTERSON recently returned to Iowa from their trip in the West, reaching Des Moines last Thursday. Bro. Patterson occupied the time of the young people's meeting Sunday evening; and all, old and young, were entertained and instructed by the description given of various points of interest in the West. They leave here to-morrow for Colorado Springs, Colorado, having made arrangements, in counsel with Dr. J. H. Kellogg, to open a Pure Food Cafe at 322 N. Tejon St., in that city. Three of the helpers from the Cafe in this city,—Miss Ethel Crow, Miss Mina Seitz, and Merrick Vaughn,—will be associated with them in the work there. The sincere best wishes and earnest prayers of many friends follow them.

—"OUR love for God is to be expressed in doing good to the needy and suffering of the household of faith whose necessities come to our knowledge and require our care. Every soul is under special obligation to God to notice His worthy poor with particular compassion. Under no consideration are these to be passed by."—*Testimonies Vol. 6.*

—MRS. A. C. SCOTT, of Carroll, Iowa, writes: "We could use many, many more papers in the rack here to good advantage." Will not some of our brethren and sisters help to supply this demand for good literature?

—"PRESENT Truth" is a thirty-two page tract, at two cents per copy, instead of one cent as stated last week.

—MRS. EVA JENSEN is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Dunlap, at Davenport.

### OUR ENDOWED BED.

ATTENTION is again called to the collection Sabbath, February 1, for the Endowed Bed. We trust that all will realize the importance of assisting in the care of our sick poor in this way by making a liberal donation. The money received for this fund should be forwarded to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

L. F. STARR.

### A GENERAL MEETING.

A GENERAL meeting will be held at Mt. Pleasant, Feb. 11-16, 1902. Eld. J. S. Washburn, who is on his way from England, is expected to be present and assist in the meeting. The brethren and sisters living near are invited to attend.

L. F. STARR.

### CONFERENCE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Tithes received from Oct. 1 to Dec. 31, 1901:—

Ames.....	\$72.22	Lisbon.....	58.32
Adel.....	34.51	Ladoga.....	108.21
Afton.....	41.19	Libertyville.....	108.52
Algona.....	36.32	Marshalltown.....	93.23
Atalissa.....	38.60	Massena.....	54.15
Atlantic.....	105.31	Milford.....	102.15
Audubon.....	5.60	Maquokata.....	10.05
Albaton.....	30.10	Modale.....	75.70
Alexander.....	78.00	Mt. Pleasant.....	433.19
Birmingham.....	16.50	Muscatine.....	111.20
Blencoe.....	101.42	Monroe.....	14.00
Bonaparte.....	4.60	Macksburg.....	13.75
Boone.....	60.54	Nanson.....	20.74
Beaman.....	84.61	Nevada.....	305.08
Burlington.....	43.60	Nora Springs.....	5.65
Benton S. S.....	32.00	Oxford.....	14.75
Bladensburg.....	29.20	Olin.....	25.06
Bluff Creek.....	7.75	Osceola.....	51.06
Castana.....	42.52	Onawa.....	51.69
Croton.....	2.10	Osage.....	20.95
Coon Rapids.....	9.65	Ottumwa.....	.25
Council Bluffs.....	290.39	Parkersburg.....	128.19
Clarinda.....	15.00	Pilot Mound.....	187.70
Clinton.....	40.65	Pulaski.....	42.40
Confidence.....	4.00	Red Oak.....	70.00
Cedar Rapids.....	37.75	Riverton.....	61.95
Columbus Jet.....	42.39	Ruthven.....	247.21
Davis City.....	27.81	Russell.....	30.25
Davenport.....	65.93	Sandyville.....	185.38
Des Moines.....	766.32	Shelby.....	10.00
Delmar.....	15.00	Sheldon.....	32.56
Darbyville.....	132.86	Sharpsburg.....	25.34
Dubuque.....	108.65	Stony City.....	12.05
Dunlap.....	7.55	Sioux City.....	96.3
Elk Horn.....	74.00	Spirit Lake.....	4.00
Eddyville.....	25.27	Storm Lake.....	36.15
Exira.....	135.55	St. Ignace.....	6.00
Eureka.....	75.65	Smithland.....	27.95
Estherville.....	5.00	Twin Oak.....	21.50
Fairfield.....	9.00	Traer.....	413.49
Fontanelle.....	67.14	Thayer.....	2.20
Glenwood.....	55.38	Urbana.....	13.00
Grant City.....	83.20	Village Creek.....	30.30
Gilman.....	6.50	Waukon.....	50.98
Grinnell.....	47.99	Waverly.....	7.75
Graettinger.....	48.30	West Grove.....	11.55
Hartley.....	144.16	Weston.....	17.60
Hawkeye.....	90.00	West Union.....	34.21
Harlan.....	78.80	Wilton.....	48.44
Iowa City.....	25.58	Winterset.....	68.00
Jacksonville.....	132.11	Winthrop.....	18.07
Knoxville.....	179.54	Woodburn.....	99.95
Kelley.....	20.45	Individual.....	443.63
Total.....	\$7,749.48		

J. W. DORCAS,

Treasurer Iowa Conference.

### NOTICE.

To enable me to give a correct report, I will ask all those who send tithe to state plainly to which church it should be credited; otherwise I must enter it as individual tithe.

J. W. DORCAS, Treas.

### BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

WANTED.—A Sabbath-keeping young man to work on farm. Correspond with W. A. Lunt, Clearfield, Iowa.

### APPOINTMENTS.

GRINNELL,

Feb. 7-9, 1902.

L. F. STARR.