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TERMS: 25 CENTS A YEAR IN ADVANCE.

A CALL TO SERVICE.

FOR more than a year we have been trying to sell "Christ's Object Lessons," and the Lord is pleased with our efforts and that we have been moving forward in harmony with His leading. We have turned over to Union College eight thousand dollars. Doubtless all the readers of the BULLETIN have felt gratified that we have done so well, but there is more to do yet than has been done. Can we afford to let this work drag along as slowly as it has in the past? We have about fourteen thousand copies of this book yet to sell; and if we sell them no faster than we have during the past eighteen months, it will take us four and one-half years to complete the sale of our quota. Now I want to ask the brethren and sisters in Iowa, Are you willing to get out and help sell our share?

"We shall call upon our people to help to the utmost of their ability just now. We shall call upon them to do a work which will be pleasing to God in purchasing the book. We shall ask that every available means be used to help circulate this book. . . . We shall call upon our ministers, as they visit the churches, to encourage men and women to go out as canvassers, to make a decided forward movement in the path of self-denial by giving part of their earnings to help our schools to get out of debt. . . .

"A general movement is needed, but

this must begin with individual movements. Let each member in each family in each church make determined efforts to deny self. Let us have the whole-hearted co operation of all in our ranks." "The Lord calls upon men and women to enter His service."

We can sell fourteen thousand books in a short time if all will co-operate. Brethren and sisters, let us get to the front until these books are sold. We expect every worker in the Iowa Conference, and all our church elders and leaders, to take hold of this work with us until the last book is sold. The State has been divided into districts, with men to direct the work. We desire that every one in the Conference shall take up heartily the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." We do not expect to do anything else until this work is done. May God bless us in this important work; and when the last book is sold, we shall sing the jubilee song.

L. F. STARR.

THE NORTH-WESTERN UNION CONFERENCE.

THE first session of the North-western Union Conference is now in the past. Taken altogether it was one of the most satisfactory conferences ever held by our people. In other meetings a greater flight of feeling has been manifested; but there was an earnest, steady tone at this meeting that betokened the courage of the soldier going into battle to fight and win. This was particularly noticed when the Conference was brought face to face with grave questions,—questions that demanded immediate answers, and yet called for heavy sacrifices or the assuming of great responsibilities. It was decidedly a missionary conference. When fields that seemed short of laborers were called to release one

for a more needy field, they did not murmur, but sent with their fellow worker a hearty prayer for God's blessing on him and his work.

Among those who came after our last report were Elds. A. T. Jones, S. H. Lane, Lewis Sheafe, Wm. Covert; Dr. David Paulson and wife, Mrs. L. Flora Plummer, and Dr. W. A. George, of the Nebraska Sanitarium. We have not space to report all the matters of interest that were considered, but will mention some of the most interesting. It was recommended that Eld. B. E. Fullmer and wife go to India; that Eld. C. J. Buhalts and wife go to South Africa; that Bro. E. H. Wilbur, a trained nurse, join the Chinese Mission; that Eld. A. J. Stone, of Minnesota, labor in Iowa among the Swedes; that Bro. N. M. Jorgensen and wife go to South Dakota; and that Bro. Peter Lindahl go to Nebraska to take charge of the Nebraska Scandinavian colporteur wagon.

It was decided that the North-western Union Conference and the South-western Union Conference be re-arranged into three Union Conferences: The Northern Union Conference to consist of Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Manitoba, and the North-west Territory, Montana to be added if agreeable to the Pacific Union Conference; the Central Union Conference to consist of Iowa, Nebraska, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, and Wyoming; and the South-western Union Conference to include Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas, and New Mexico, with Louisiana to be added if released by the Southern Union Conference. This plan, however, will not go into effect until approved by the South-western Union Conference. It was also voted to endorse the plan of the Mission Board to begin work in Nyassa Land, Africa, about

eight hundred miles north-east of our Matabeleland mission; and over three thousand dollars was given by Conferences and individuals to help open that work. The delegates went to their homes impressed with the idea that a new era has opened in our work,—an era of service, earnest and active, to continue until the coming of the Lord.

J. O. BEARD.

FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

Dear Ones All: There are so many things we want to tell you, and we are sure you are anxiously waiting to know how the Lord hath wrought for us. Our little chapel is completed, with the exception of painting inside and out, and the brethren at Hildebran are planning to prime-coat the outside this week. A schoolhouse 16x23 ft., built upon the same lot, is completed. The entire cost is about five hundred and fifty dollars. Iowa friends have sent us \$125.29 besides \$91.15 paid for the lot by Bro. and Sister Newby. The property is deeded to the Southern Union Association. We never can express our gratitude to you. Many times money came just when needed to settle an account. At one time word came from the committee: "We must stop building." Just then thirty dollars came from College View. Thus the work went on, day by day. We were often perplexed, "but not in despair." We have set out trees, rosebushes, etc. on the lot. We have learned to do many different kinds of work, and there is such joy and rest in working with the Master. Eld. D. T. Shireman preached the first sermon in our new church building; Eld. Fred Halladay, a former Iowa canvasser, offered the first prayer. There were forty-four present, and fifty-eight were in attendance last Sunday evening. The time for the dedication has not been decided.

The following are the names of those who have sent us help since we last reported: L. H. Scott, \$1.25; S. H. Taylor, \$2.00; Des Moines church, \$8.27; Woodbine church, \$5.75; L. P. Olsen, \$1.00; Anna Clay, \$1.00; Grinnell Sabbath-school, \$2.50; Blencoe Sabbath-school, 75 cents; Graettinger church, \$6.00; Eld. Hart and wife, \$5.00; James Schee and wife, \$25.00; F. W. Patterson and wife, \$8.50; J. N. Pitsenberger and wife, \$3.50; Ella Hibbets, \$5.00; Mary Gorham, \$2.00; Betsey Carpenter, \$1.00; a friend, Iowa City, 50 cents; friends at Dubuque, \$3.25; Dubuque Sabbath-school, \$1.85;

Nevada church, \$2.25; A. R. Shrake and wife, \$2.00; Mary Whisler, \$1.00; E. M. Pierce, \$1.00; Louise Laughterback, \$10.00. A two hundred and twenty-five pound bell was also donated.

May the dear Lord bless you all. And now who is there who will say: "Here am I, Lord, send me"? "There should be a thousand workers where there is now one in the Southern field." An experienced, consecrated Bible worker had to go aside for a time because of failing health. She is now at work in our Conference but does not ask for remuneration, and works for her board. There is not a penny in the treasury for her. Our president said yesterday, "What shall we do?" Are there not workers in Iowa who with us will divide with her, and thus help forward the message?

MOLLIE R. LONG,

MINNIE M. BEAMAN.

Hickory, N. C., April 10.

FIELD REPORTS.

CLINTON.

AGAIN it seems "good to show the signs and wonders that the high God hath wrought." "How great are His signs! and how mighty are His wonders." God has in a special manner visited the church at this place. Union and harmony is pervading our company, and we are being drawn nearer to God and nearer to one another; and this working is felt outside our ranks. Sabbath, April 5, was a specially good day. As we met to celebrate the ordinances of God's house, we could feel the desire to receive a blessing from God; and as an invitation was extended to those who desired to unite with us in church fellowship, six arose. God has specially visited our young people of late, and it was good to see so many give themselves to Him. One sister who had been alone in keeping the Sabbath, was filled with joy at seeing her son and daughter give themselves to God. These six were received into church fellowship subject to baptism, which will take place April 26, God willing. Another has been waiting for this ordinance for some time, and we hope others will also be ready for this sacred step. We hope our church will be well represented at the State camp-meeting this year. May God continue to bless this dear company until we all shall stand on the sea of glass. Remember us in your prayers.

N. M. JORGENSEN.

THE BOOK WORK.

GOOD NEWS.

WHEN the spies came back from Canaan, they told of the fruit and the exceedingly good land they had seen. Certain ones said, "We are well able to overcome it." But others said, "No." They had seen the giants and the cities walled up to heaven, and said, "We were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight." These things, we are told, were written for our admonition. I am glad to bring to our brethren a good report, and I am fully determined not to be frightened by any walled cities or sons of Anak. It is decided that the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons" is now to be entered upon with renewed vigor, and never to stop until the work is done and the jubilee song is sounded. We will have abundant opportunity, no doubt, to see lions in the streets, but the work is to be done nevertheless. God has set His hand to the work; why should we not co-operate? Why shall we defer and put off a consummation so devoutly to be wished for? Some one has said, "Can't is a word to be eliminated from the Christian's vocabulary." "All God's commandings are enablings." Let us begin to rejoice that the work is to be done, and then set out boldly to do our part.

THOS. H. JEYS.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING APRIL 4, 1902.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	24	9	\$13.75	\$5.54
HERALDS OF THE MORNING.				
F. W. Howell.....	15	3	\$ 3.75	\$3.50
J. B. Myers.....	32	5	6.75	1.50
THE COMING KING.				
Dora Rasmussen.....	25	12	\$12.00	
Tilda Ward.....	10	3	3.00	
Hulda Ward.....	0	4	4.00	\$.50
Rose E. Boose.....	15	3	3.50	1.50
Bessie Kuhlman.....	16	1	1.00	.25
PATRIARCHS AND PROPHETS.				
Ruby McSparran.....	13			\$1.75
CHRIST'S OBJECT LESSONS.				
Calvin V. Starr.....	49	8	\$10.00	\$.25
Andrew Johnson.....	2		2.50	.50
MISCELLANEOUS.				
F. N. McKibben.....				\$5.90
Mrs. Peter Lindahl.....				5.50
Belle Rame.....				1.25
DELIVERIES.				
Books. Value. Helps. Lost				
Calvin V. Starr.....	3		\$3.75	
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				14
" " orders.....				50
Value of ".....			\$ 60.25	
" " helps sold.....			\$ 27.94	
Total value.....			\$ 88.19	

THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

SOME HELPFUL HINTS.

WE can avoid large bills for physicians' services and loss of time because of sickness, by a proper knowledge of rational methods for prevention and cure of disease. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure" is a maxim which can not be disputed. If every one would study the natural laws of the body and its care, and make use of this knowledge, the study of medicine would be much less popular than it is; for the demand for professional dosing would be limited. The intelligent use of air, heat, light, electricity, and water, produces physiological activity of the various organs; and in themselves these agencies contain enough force to move the world. They are not stimulants which spur on the vital processes for a moment, then allow them to drop farther back than before; but when renewed activity is started by them, it is there to stay. When we set a pail of water out in a temperature of 20° below zero, we expect that the water will freeze; for that is a natural result. When we subject ourselves to something that experience has taught us will do us harm, we should be surprised if it does not harm us. We are continually subjecting ourselves to disease, and nature is continually trying to combat the conditions and keep us well; yet if we get sick we bow our heads and say it is a providence of God. It is natural for us to be in health, and unnatural for us not to be. When we see so much sickness and disease, we are almost inclined to think that something has been turned around, and that it is a natural condition to be sick and an unnatural one to be well. Let us all strive to get back into right relations with nature, so that our physical condition as a people will not be a reproach to the cause of God.

NOTES.

MISS STELLA PFAFF enjoyed a visit from her mother, of Chariton, during the Conference.

MISS KITTIE VAUGHN has spent several days at Newton during the week, nursing for a physician of that city.

MRS. MINNIE NICHOLSON, of Pilot Mound, enjoyed a visit from her husband last Sabbath.

WE acknowledge receipt of a sheet and pair of pillowcases from Mrs. L. C. Pettingell, of Polk City.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

A YEAR OF BIBLE STUDY.

NOR long ago I came across this sentence written by a very faithful laborer, and printed in one of our papers about three years ago: "I solemnly believe that if a person is so situated that he can study the lesson and attend the Sabbath-school, and does not do so, he will never attain to such knowledge of God as will bring to him eternal life." At first thought it may seem as if that is a very extreme view to take, but the idea is certainly worthy of study. Of late it has seemed that a spirit of indifference to the Sabbath-school has crept into the minds of many of our people, and in nearly every church there are those who entirely absent themselves from the Sabbath-school, or else are very irregular in their attendance. While our Sabbath-schools need and should have the presence and help of every believer, the need is not wholly on one side. Those who are carelessly depriving themselves of this means of grace, may be turning away from that which might be to them a "savour of life unto life."

The Sabbath-school is the church organized and equipped for the systematic study of the Word of God. There is no service that equals it in giving opportunity for individual study and training. The Spirit of the Lord has said: "The Sabbath-school is an important branch of the missionary work, not only because it gives to young and old a knowledge of God's Word, but because it awakens in them a love for its sacred truths, and a desire to study them for themselves; above all, it teaches them to regulate their lives by its holy teachings." Can any one deliberately or carelessly turn away from the Sabbath-school, and cut himself off from its service and from the study of the lessons which are engaging the attention of a large number of the people of God, and not suffer a loss that is material? Can we really estimate the possible loss? Can any portion of the Scripture become so familiar to us that we know all there is of God in any text, and that nothing more can be revealed to us by study? These are questions our people should consider.

WE are now entering upon the study of a new series of lessons. The arrangement of the lessons is new, and

such as to encourage the most thorough Bible study. The subject of the senior lessons, "Studies in the Gospel Message," should appeal to every adult person as being worthy of his most careful attention. The youth's lessons are based upon the same series. The children are starting in on a three-years' study of Bible history, something after the manner of the lessons used in book form years ago. In all divisions of the Sabbath-school, the quarter beginning April 1 marks an important epoch in Bible study. We appeal to every family and to every person in our ranks to study the Sabbath-school lessons and connect with the Sabbath-school work. If you are within reach of a school, let no trivial thing hinder your prompt and regular attendance. If you are isolated, send for a lesson quarterly and for the lesson papers for your children, and in the fear of God unite in the study of the lessons. Let us have a year of *real Bible study*. And the study of that Word will surely be "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

ORA L. HADLEY, DUBUQUE: "I thought perhaps you would be interested with something more than simply an official report. During the quarter the membership has increased from twenty-seven to forty-two. As a school we can say it has been a blessed quarter in our Christian experience. We have a birthday box, and a missionary box for the Southern field has been given each child."

N. M. JORGENSEN, CLINTON: "We are teaching our youth and children to do missionary work, and are trying to train some of them to fill the offices, so that we can organize a young people's society. I hope it will not be very long before we can organize. We hold regular meetings for the youth and children; but according to the article in the BULLETIN of Dec. 3, 1901, it is of more "importance to inspire one young man or young woman to go out and do real missionary work than to be able to organize a score into a mere formal society, having merely the name of a missionary organization."

WHEN we walk toward the sun of Truth, all shadows are cast behind us. —*Longfellow.*

"TRUTH is not made false because we doubt her."

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DES MOINES, IOWA, APRIL 15, 1902.

—ELD. W. M. ADAMS and wife expect to visit at Sigourney and Cresco before returning to Manitoba.

—AMONG visitors at the Conference we were glad to welcome Elds. J. S. Hart and R. F. Andrews, of College View, Nebraska.

—MRS. BERTHA E. JORGENSEN was called to Boone by the illness of her sister, and came from there to spend Sabbath and Sunday in Des Moines.

—It is designed to publish a report in full of the session of the North-western Union Conference just closed, in a form convenient for future reference. Its publication will be duly announced.

—MRS. M. E. SUMMEY, of College View, Nebraska, attended the Conference Sabbath and Sunday, as she was on her way home from Monroe, where she had been for three months on account of the sickness and death of her father.

—MARRIED, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morton, at Beaverton, Oregon, April 1, 1902, Miss Martha Lenz and Mr. J. C. Morton, the M. E. pastor officiating. The newly wedded couple will make their home at Ridgefield, Washington.

—A NUMBER of children from branch Sabbath-schools held in this city, attended our regular Sabbath-school service last Sabbath. Their quick answers to review questions showed that the work of instructing them had not been in vain, and we could see plainly that this work pays.

—THE Iowa S. D. Adventist Conference will be represented at the South-western Union Conference, to be held at Topeka, Kansas, beginning April 16, by the following delegation: L. F. Starr, L. F. Trubey, C. A. Washburn, N. C. Bergersen, E. G. Olsen, J. H. Kraft, B. E. Fullmer, Floyd Bralliar, W. E. Frederick, and Wm. Johnson.

—WE note the presence of a number of the brethren and sisters who came in during the week to attend the Conference: Brn. P. L. Hoen, C. E. Graham, and Wm. Johnson, Conference workers; Mrs. L. F. Starr, of Stuart; W. A. McKibben, of Adel; J. Terwilliger, of Pleasantville; Mr. and Mrs. O. Kittle, of Waterloo; and Mrs. Maggie McDonald, of Winterset.

THE WORK FOR THIS TIME.

AT our Union Conference, just closed, the matter of the work with "Object Lessons" was quite fully considered. The conviction broadened and deepened that the work must be done and done *now*. At a special meeting of the Iowa delegation it was voted without a dissenting voice that this Conference take the full quota required to cover our share of the amount. Accordingly an order was at once placed with the Review and Herald for eleven thousand copies. I wish our good brethren throughout the State might have been present to see and feel the power of this meeting. Every S. D. Adventist in Iowa should now buckle on the armor anew and prepare for the battle. We go with renewed strength and courage into the conflict.

For the better prosecution of the work the State has been districted as follows:—

District No. 1: Lyon, Osceola, Dickenson, Emmet, Sioux, O'Brien, Clay, Palo Alto, Plymouth, Cherokee, Buena Vista, Pocahontas, Woodbury, Ida, Sac, Calhoun, Monona, Crawford, Carroll, Greene.

District No. 2: Kossuth, Winnebago, Worth, Hancock, Cerro Gordo, Humboldt, Wright, Franklin, Webster, Hamilton, Hardin, Boone, Story, Marshall.

District No. 3: Mitchell, Howard, Winneshiek, Allamakee, Floyd, Chickasaw, Fayette, Clayton, Butler, Bremer, Grundy, Blackhawk, Buchanan, Delaware, Dubuque, Tama, Benton, Llan, Jones, Jackson.

District No. 4: Harrison, Shelby, Audubon, Guthrie, Pottawattamie, Cass, Adair, Mills, Montgomery, Adams, Union, Fremont, Page, Taylor, Ringgold.

District No. 5: Dallas, Polk, Jasper, Poweshiek, Madison, Warren, Marion, Mahaska, Clarke, Lucas, Monroe, Decatur, Wayne, Appanoose.

District No. 6: Iowa, Johnson, Cedar, Clinton, Keokuk, Washington, Muscatine, Scott, Wapello, Jefferson, Henry, Louisa, Davis, Van Buren, Lee, Des Moines.

The Conference laborers are distributed as follows:—

District No. 1: B. E. Fullmer, superintendent; associate laborers, Chas. Heald, J. C. Clemens, N. L. McClintock, Clarence Rentfro.

District No. 2: E. G. Olsen, superintendent; associate laborers, Carl Jensen and wife, P. L. Hoen, Chas. Graham, G. R. Hawkins and wife, H. L. Stenberg.

District No. 3: L. F. Truby, superintendent; associate laborers, E. E. Gardner, O. T. Adams, Andrew Johnson and wife, J. H. Kraft, Lloyd Manfull and wife, Katie Earl, Tillie Earl, Jessie Welsh.

District No. 4: T. H. Jeys, superintendent; associate laborers, Wm. J. Johnson, Arthur McClintock, Arthur French, H. Rorholm, Calvin Starr, B. L. Dieffenbacher.

District No. 5: N. C. Bergersen, superintendent; associate laborers, G. A. Larson, J. O. Beard, W. E. Frederick, Arthur Rhoads and wife, Arthur Shrake and wife.

District No. 6: Floyd Bralliar, superintendent; associate laborers, C. A. Washburn, E. H. Adams, F. M. Corbaley, N. M. Jorgensen and wife, Lizzie Neal, Margaret Young.

T. H. JEYS.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

THE summer training school at Berrien Springs will open June 12, and last ten weeks. The only expense to the teachers while there will be board, which will be furnished on the European plan. The aggregate cost will be between \$1.25 and \$1.50 per week. There may be incidental expenses, but the tuition and tent rent will be free. A goodly number of teachers from Iowa should attend this school. I would like to hear from all such, so that I may know what to depend upon. Write for particulars regarding car fare and courses, and for any other desired information.

FLOYD BRALLIAR.

IMPORTANT CHANGE.

MANY of the BULLETIN readers will be surprised to learn that Sister Jessie V. Bosworth, who for a number of years has faithfully served us in the Missionary Department, has been called to another field. As she goes to take charge of the same work in the Carolina Conference, her many friends will wish her Godspeed.

Bro. Carl W. Larson has been appointed to take her place, and Bro. Bert Rhoads has been called to assist in the Office. All mail should be addressed to Carl W. Larson or Missionary Department Iowa Conference.

L. F. STARR.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

WANTED.—Immediately, a traveling salesman for Iowa. A S. D. Adventist with some experience preferred. The Twin City Nut Food Co., Minneapolis, Minn.

APPOINTMENTS.

A GENERAL meeting for the consideration of the work of selling "Christ's Object Lessons" in District No. 4 will be held at Atlantic, Iowa, April 26, 27. Let a grand rally be had at this time. Come to the meeting, not to hear preaching, but to plan and prepare for service. The quarterly meeting of the Atlantic church will be held at this time.

THOS. H. JEYS.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

ALEXANDER, April 19, 1902.
All members are earnestly requested to be present. JOHN DIRKSEN.