



"The HARVEST TRULY IS GREAT, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW"

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## General Articles

### Strive for the Mastery

"And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible."

A parallel is drawn in the above verse of Scripture between those who are in the race for the kingdom of God and those who are running for the things of this world. There is one requisite that must be found in the case of each. "Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things." Usually in speaking of temperance, we only associate it with the thought of simple living, abstemious habits, etc., etc., but in the above use of the word is comprehended endurance, firmness, fortitude, and patience. These virtues must be very marked in those who strive for the mastery. Temperance can not be obtained except by the continual exercise of these moral attributes.

We who are striving for the incorruptible crown could many

times draw some valuable lessons from those who are in the race for corruptible things. Especially is this true with those engaged in the work of canvassing. Many who start in this work fail to realize what is required of them that they might win the race.

For some years it has been the custom with most of our canvassers in this section to bind off their work in the fall and spend the winter doing something else. I have made careful inquiry from a score of reliable parties to ascertain the real cause for this, and the answer that I have had from all is that the weather is too cold to canvass here in the winter. I cannot understand upon what grounds such an excuse is based. Is it a valid excuse or is the difficulty imaginary? Let us look at it a moment.

Do the people of this world stop their business with the advent of winter? Never. The railroads never think of stopping their trains until they are stalled in a snow drift; and then they dig out and go on. The brakemen are out in all kinds of weather, loading and unloading freight for hours at a time in the

severest weather. They do not stop. The men who work on the section have their busiest time in the roughest weather to keep the tracks cleared and the switches open. They handle cold steel, shovels and picks all day, and never think of quitting. The mail carriers are out every day in all kinds of weather. The city drays and buses make their regular trips. The village doctor struggles through the very worst of storms to minister to the sick and dying. The commercial houses keep their men on the road all winter. Many of them make drives from one town to another rather than wait for snowbound trains. Farmers who have much stock must be out day and night looking after their comfort in the stormy weather. Scores of business enterprises might be named that continue their work summer and winter without a thought of stopping.

"But" you exclaim, "they go prepared for cold weather." Certainly. Why not we go prepared for cold weather also? They breast the storm that they might gain a corruptible crown. Can we not afford to do the same thing to gain an incorruptible one?

Just imagine that you are a missionary to the Esquimaux—in the land of perpetual ice and snow. You may be some day. Think of laying off in that country during the winter because it is too cold to work! Brethren let us push the work vigorously during the coming winter. It is a splendid time to reach the people.

J. S. JAMES.

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### Special Collection

It has been decided by the General Conference Committee that a collection should be taken in all our churches, Sabbath, November 3, for the benefit of the International Publishing Association at College View, Neb. This association publishes the following foreign denominational papers, *Hausfreund*, *Arbeiter*, (German); *Zions Vaktare*, (Swedish); and *Sendebud*, (Danish-Norwegian); also books, pamphlets, and tracts in the foreign languages. This is a needy institution and should receive the hearty support of all our people.

E. T. RUSSELL,

Chairman Board of Trustees,  
I. P. A.

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## From the Field

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### Alberta

#### Burnt Lake

It was a beautiful Sunday morning the twelfth of August as we, a little company of believers, drove out west of Olds two miles to one of our many clear streams where, meeting our brethren from the Harmattan church, we stopped and, seating ourselves on old mother earth's rich green carpet, we all took

a dinner together. Meanwhile a number of friends and neighbors had gathered to see four brethren and one sister follow their Saviour and Master in the waters of baptism.

A. C. ANDERSON.

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#### Leduc

Knowing harvesting is a time when many canvassers feel obliged to quit their work I thought it a good time to test the conditions in Alberta during the busiest part of the year.

My work is such that full time could not be put in but the Lord blessed during the time spent among the people, although almost all were foreigners and quite scattered.

Many asked questions concerning the truth as they had heard or read considerable while in Minnesota and the Dakotas, the majority of the Swedes and Germans having come from those states. Many of these have books with them which some faithful worker carried to them twelve to fifteen years ago. God has a watchcare over these books their presence keep many minds from accepting fully the doctrines of Satan, and many a conscience is pricked by their silent testimony. Some of these people are sure to obey the call "Come out and be ye separate."

On another page is a brief statement of the last four weeks work. May the Lord help the canvassers to be faithful to their charge under all circumstances.

W. O. JAMES.

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### North Dakota

#### Fearful Sight

Jesus said that fearful sights would be witnessed in the last

days as evidences of his immediate return, and that, as the result, men would actually be *frightened to death*, "Their hearts failing them for fear."

Please take your Bible and read Luke 21:10, 11, emphasizing the phrase appearing at the heading of this article. You will then be better prepared to make a correct application of the following narrative.

Some weeks since a cyclone passed about three miles north of this town (Egeland, N. D.) Some of us drove over to view the ruins. It was certainly a most fearful sight. Some of the houses and farm buildings were completely demolished. Being taken up by the storm, they were dashed into kindling wood, and for the most part were broken into small pieces averaging about a foot in length. Several wagon loads of such pieces were lodged along the shore of a small lake. Some of the longer splinters from three to six feet in length, could be seen standing over the fields and prairies, having been driven two and three feet into the solid ground by the violence of the storm. These were fastened so solidly that a strong man could scarcely extract them. The house furnishings were carried away so completely that only a few pieces could be found. Among the mysteries is the disappearance of a large hotel steel cooking range, which no one has been able to trace to this day.

A threshing separator was picked up by the wind, dashed to pieces, and scattered. No trace can be found of the greater part of the machine. The cylinder, with a couple of wheels was found bent all out of shape a few

rods from where it originally stood. The back axle, an iron bar three inches in diameter and eight feet in length, weighing about 200 pounds, was discovered some days later in a wheatfield about a mile away. A pump, pipe and all, was taken out of a sixty foot well and carried into the field. A new steel plow lay was lying upon the ground, and by some means broken in the center. A sulky plow was completely broken to pieces, mouldboards and all and rendered valueless. Two new wide tired wagons were carried away and two wheels, one hub and one axle is all that can be found of them. A piece of harness was taken from a barn and thrown several rods in an opposite direction from which the building was carried. A lady who saw the tunnel shaped destroyer approaching quickly picked up her two children and escaped for her life, but being overtaken by the wind, she placed her children upon the ground and throwing herself upon them gripped the buffalo brush and grass where she managed to save herself and family, the only loss sustained being the soles of her shoes which she solemnly affirms were detached by the lightning and carried away by the wind.

In a pasture were found three detached cows feet, which were severed by some force leaving the animals otherwise whole. A field of newly broken sod had been seeded to flax, on the side of a small incline, a patch of sod 40 x 150 was removed and piled up at a distance, and the ground swept as with a broom.

Notwithstanding the destruction of several houses and the loss of many lives of animals,

not a human life was lost and no one seriously injured.

E. H. HUNTLEY.

## South Dakota

### Lake Preston

After camp meeting at Woonsocket I came to Huron and enjoyed the hospitality of a kind brother for about two weeks. I had labored among my countrymen—the Norwegian-Danish population—scattering tracts, holding a few Bible readings, and obtained a few subscriptions for our paper, *Evangelists Sendebud*. The fourth of July I came to Lake Preston to assist Elders Neilsen and Jorgensen in tent work. About two-thirds of the population here are Norwegian, settled and grounded in the Lutheran faith. At first a goodly number came to the meetings, but since the Sabbath question was presented there has not been as many. However, we have good reason to believe that some will come out and walk in the light.

My work has been, mostly, to visit the farmers outside of town. They are willing to read our papers and tracts and some are interested.

Yours for the Master,

J. H. SCHMIDT.

### Willow Lake

The tent effort closed in this place Sunday evening, September 3, subject, "Christ on Trial." There was all of two hundred present, and everyone paid good attention. Seventy-five arose, thereby acknowledging that this is the truth and expressing a desire to live for Christ.

The Message has been presented in power, and the people

in town, as well as in the country, are all stirred. Many are in the "valley of decision." A few have taken their stand, and a few others are very favorable. A number of the leading people are very much interested and are real friendly. And, although the tent is taken down, the effort has not closed. Elder Harter will remain and do personal work. A large number have asked him to enter their homes and talk this truth. The seed has been sown, and we have faith to believe that the seed has fallen on good ground and in due time will bring forth fruit.

Of course, we are anxious to see results; and nothing gives us more joy. Still let our faith remain strong, and the truth will accomplish its work upon those who are honest in heart.

The M. E. church has closed its doors as it is dead. The pastor of the Congregational church has resigned and they have had no preaching service for a number of weeks.

We are of good courage. The effort has not been in vain, and the results to be seen will bring us joy.

I have enjoyed my efforts with the company this summer. I plan to enter Union College and there continue my studies. We are glad to notice that such a large number are planning on school this year. This is as it should be, and we trust that many of our young people who are undecided will ask God in prayer what He wants them to do. If He wants you to go to school do not put it off, but put forth an effort to go.

NATHAN AALBORG.

[This report should have appeared two weeks ago.—ED.]

### Canvassers' Weekly Letter

*Harvey Jensen*—Delivery is progressing good in spite of the rainy weather. Would have been done had it not rained. Have taken nine extra orders; one from the banker in Vienna, and one from the banker at Willow Lake. Pray for me.

*Ole Tronson*—My report of "helps sold" is for the religious liberty number of the *Southern Watchman*. Every one that reads the English language should read and study it that they may know what a great sin it is to reject Jehovah's Sabbath, and compel people to keep the first day; all need to be warned against the "mark of the beast."

*Martin Johnson*—Although I did not sell so many books as last year I received a better experience. I like to work for "Great Controversy" very much. The people all seem glad to see me with their book. The prospects are that I will have a good delivery. One man told me that this was one book that he was going to read. Another told me that our books are very good and important. He secured "Daniel and Revelation" from Brother Babcock two years ago. Brother Babcock delivered something like seventy books in the same territory in which I secured forty-eight orders in fifteen days. This to me is evidence that territory is not burned over by being canvassed if the right kind of evangelistic canvassing has been done.

*C. D. Terwilliger*—The weather has been quite stormy the past week but the Lord guided and in every way my wants have been provided for.

*James Thompson*—Had a good time this week in spite of the

rain and bad roads. Found nearly all the people anxiously looking for their good book, so the unpleasant part was not so great. How much good these books may do if the people only read and heed the warning they bring! The seed has been sown and may God watch over it, care for it, until it brings forth a harvest of souls for eternity.

*Olive La Fave*—I found an old Sabbath-keeper in Wessington who, as soon as he saw the book, said, "Oh I have read these truths for forty years;" and he began to ask of Sister White and others. It was encouraging to hear him talk. He is very deaf and lives with his son. They seem very poor. Enclosed is an order for the *Review* for him for six months.

*Gustav Ellingson*—I have no report to send this week as I have had quite a time finding a horse with which to do my delivering. I was glad to receive the *Review* and the REAPER. My courage is good in the Lord. Pray for us that our delivery may be successful.

SOUTH DAK. TRACT SOC.

### Minnesota

#### St. Paul

Another sister was baptized and joined the St. Paul church Sabbath, September 15. This makes seven new members thus far this season. Other are advancing toward the step and as they are ready we will welcome them to our fellowship.

The example of old church members in wearing feathers, jewelry, etc., has been a stumbling block to some. Why should they be asked so give these things up before baptism

when many respected members wear them? The logic is all right, only it should be reversed. Why should respected members continue to wear these things when new members are asked to give them up? "Your words have been stout against me saith the Lord." Oh for a deeper consecration on the part of God's professed people. "The Lord does not now work to bring many souls into the truth, because of the church members who have never been converted, and those who were once converted but who have backslidden. What influence would these unconsecrated members have on new converts? Would they not make of no effect the God-given message which His people are to bear?"

F. A. DETAMORE.

### Woodburn, Oregon

Well, Brother Emerson, God is blessing His work here on the coast. Souls are being saved. I have been here at Astoria. The Lord has blessed our efforts, we have not had very large crowds out but a few have been coming right along. Yesterday (Sabbath) was a happy day for us here. We had the privilege of baptizing four, and we have reason to believe that several others will follow soon, for there are others keeping the Sabbath. We will have to stop our tent meetings as the weather is getting very unsettled.

I don't think that I have ever been in a place, that for its size (15,000) has had so many side attractions as this, nor have I seen quite so much vice. But we are thankful that even here God has some jewels. At this point I was just interrupted by a man

we have been laboring with ever since we came here. His wife has started to keep the Sabbath, but he has not. He told me that he had burned his tobacco and pipe and that his aim was to keep the Sabbath as soon as he could arrange his work. It means quite a good deal for a man of sixty to give up a darling habit of life. I trust he will gain full victory on all points.

My family is well and enjoying themselves. My wife's health has been better since coming here.

Greet inquiring friends and brethren for me. Yes, you might even greet the REAPER family and tell them how we are making it. Trusting that God will keep us till we meet in our future home. I am yours in the Master's service.

P. A. HANSON.

#### North Minneapolis

Since the close of our tent effort last fall I have been engaged in the Bible work, in selling and giving away our good literature, and in visiting the interested ones.

Many are stirred by these great truths, but some, when they begin to think about living them, decide that the way is too narrow and the sacrifice too great. Others fancy that they will heed the call at another time. With many I fear it will be as a certain grocer said of himself, not long since. He had been reading "Daniel and Revelation" and was free to admit its truthfulness. One Sabbath as we stood near his shop waiting for a car to take us to church he said, "It would be much nicer to dress up and attend church than to be beating

around as I am." When reminded that he knew the truth, and asked when he was going to obey, he dropped his head for a moment then raising his eyes he answered, "When it is too late, I suppose."

But I thank God that a few, like Moses, "Choose rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasure of sin for a season." Six have decided to obey and for several others we are hopeful.

One sister who has been keeping the Sabbath for about three months is suffering great persecution. She is a Swiss, but speaks English, French, and German also. Her husband, although brought up a First-day Adventist, is very cruel to her. He hid her Bible and will not permit her to see any Seventh-day Adventist. She has written my wife several letters. In her last she says, "I cannot describe the awful scene that took place at our house yesterday. I do not want my husband to ever see you again. I will come to you as often as I can for I need you very much. I will read my Bible and live with God."

Another lady, who has been a teacher, says she first learned of the truth when going to school. She borrowed a "Daniel and Revelation" of a Catholic girl (who did not like it) and read it. She understood it quite fully and hungered to learn more of this truth. As we studied together she said, "It would mean much faith and courage for me to accept this as my husband and friends are all either Methodists or Lutherans. But I want to do just what God asks." She decided to obey.

Several are in the "valley of decision." There are many in-

teresting experiences but we fear we are already too long.

F. E. REW.

#### Lincoln a Gentleman

(Continued)

A true gentleman will always treat with respect and consideration those whose opinions differ from his, and especially will this be true in the matter of religious belief. Church doctrines are largely matters of education, and whether in strict accordance with Bible truth or not, they are dear to those who hold them. Thus they were taught, many of them from infancy; thus they have grown more and more to believe, until, in many instances, their religious training and belief are almost a part of themselves, just as dear and sacred to them as is your belief, or mine, to you or me. Would we enjoy having our views held up to ridicule and contempt? Then do not so treat others. They may, perchance, be more nearly right than we are in some points, at least. No one knows it all, no one is perfect or infallible. Treat others as you would be treated.

Another matter of much importance is that of attire. It is sometimes the case, and I do not know but it almost a universal rule, that the outward appearance is an index to the inward man or woman. Certain it is that the slovenly dressed man or woman is not attractive in the sight of neat, tasty people. The soiled and torn garment, the unwashed grimy hands and face; the long uncombed hair and beard; the nails grown beyond the fingers ends, and dirty; the faded hat and coarse ungainly foot wear, all bespeak a lack of

care and commendable pride and self-respect. The appearance of such a one is disgusting to ladies and gentlemen. It costs no more to be clean and neat, and is much better for you in every sense of the word.

It is true, however, that there are cases where people are obliged to wear soiled clothing, as in the case of the engineer, or the man attending a threshing machine, and other similar occupations. Poverty also sometimes necessitates an uncomely attire. Then remember

"There's many an honest heart that

beats

Beneath a rough outside"

and act the part of the lady and the gentleman yourself. Never shun the worthy poor, there are jewels among them.

Still another important matter to consider is this, Do not laugh, or even smile, at or comment upon, the mistakes of others. I am not thus addressing teachers or others whose duty it may be to point out and correct mistakes. I speak to those who may be inclined to notice mistakes in the use of language, mishaps or accidents, as the overturning of a dish of food or liquid at meal time; or anything of this kind. Do not appear to notice it. The doer, if conscious of it, will be greatly embarrassed by the act, and much more if observed and annoyingly remarked upon.

Yet another: Do not unnecessarily speak of the physical defects of another, as when one lower limb may be shorter than the other; or a cross eye; or any mark upon the person; or lisping or stuttering in speech, or a man whose voice is like that of a woman; or a hunch back, or deaf or blind—never, never refer to, or about any such misfortune un-

less it be your duty as a physician to treat them, and then be tender as possible.

Yet another, Never press your views, of whatever nature, unsought, unwelcome upon another. However desirous you may be to do him good, you can never benefit a person until you have created in his mind a desire to hear. You can never benefit another until you have convinced him that you are a real friend; until you have secured his confidence in yourself as a true man or woman. And this you cannot do by forcing your views upon him. First entertain correct views, and practice right habits yourself. Help him to see by your own worthy life and example that what you have is better than what he possesses and then you may be able to induce him to hear and exchange his views for yours. Any other course will be more likely to cause prejudice and do harm. In his respect also, be a lady, a gentleman.

These are only a few of the very many ways that constitute a lady, a gentleman. There are many, many things to be observed—table manners, manners in traveling, manners everywhere, for old and young, that must be determined by locality and custom. Learn and conform to them. Be, like Lincoln, "a gentleman inside," with a true, loyal, heart and purpose, and you will succeed, and be useful and happy.

JOHN M. HOPKINS.

*Villard, Minn.*

#### Canvassers' Weekly Letter

*(Too late for last week)*

*Ethel M. Nash*—"A few lines to my canvassing brethren and

sisters telling of my courage and how the Lord is blessing me in my labors. In the past week, I have been working in Excelsior and have found two families who are in sympathy with our faith and ask many questions. I took orders of both families and have been having interesting and encouraging experiences."

*A. C. Christenson*—"Tuesday I finished canvassing Brainerd and went to Aitkin by rail. Our success while there was good. One colored lady seemed very much interested in what I had to say. She said she was not a Christian, nevertheless she wanted to be one. Her order for "Coming King" was very easily secured. Two ladies who would like to read our literature gave me their addresses."

*H. E. Nash*—"I had such a short time to prepare for my work that it went rather hard the first day or two. I had some experiences that encouraged me."

*Carrie Tufte*—"Yesterday Sunday, I passed a house where I had delivered a Swedish book, a little girl came out and ran across the street where I was and said her mamma wanted to buy another book. I went into the house with her and she told me how she had enjoyed reading the book and was showing it to all her friends. She wanted an English book for her daughter who could not read Swedish. I happened to have one with me which I left and received cash for it. So my book work is becoming intensely interesting. Would not give it up for anything. When it goes hard and all seems uphill work I think of the man of Calvary who never murmured. Let us press the battle to the gates."

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Canvassers reports sent in by W. O. James of Alberta for the four weeks ending respectively August 10, August 31, September 7, and September 14, 1906.

Book	Days	Hours	Orders	Value	Helps	Total
G. C.	3½	29	17	\$44.50	\$7	\$51.50
G. C.	4½	40	14	36.00	12.50	48.50
G. C.	3	26	10	25.00	15.50	40.50
G. C.	4	32	19	50.50	6.00	56.50

South Dakota Canvassers' report for week ending Sept 8, 1906

	Book	Hrs	Exh	Ord	Value	Value Helps	Total
C. D. Terwillegar	G. C.	40	30	9	23.50	7.25	30.75
Ole Tronson	C. K.			1	1.00	.50	1.50
G. M. O Bakke	P. J.	23				.60	.60
Olive La Fave	C. K.			2	2.00	1.50	3.50
Totals, 4 agents		63	30	12	26.50	9.85	36.35

GEO. W. MILLER,  
*Rec. Sec.*

### Obituary

#### Mrs. Snida Egan

DIED at Cottonwood Grove, S. D., Sept. 10, 1906, Mrs. Snida Egan. She was 39 years and 2 months old. Her death, caused by heart failure, came very suddenly. She was an earnest worker in the Seventh-day Adventist church, and a loving wife and mother. A husband, three children, an aged father and mother are left to mourn their loss.

The funeral services were conducted in the Adventist church in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends, by the writer assisted by Eld. J. W. Christian.

ELD. R. E. HARTER.

#### Geo. Woolard

DIED—Bro. Geo. Woolard died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ashburner. (Mrs. Ashburner lives near Stillwater.) He was 89 years, 9 months, and 3 days of age at the time of his

death, which was caused by heart failure. He was found dead in bed.

He was born in England, and came to America in 1855. He leaves three sons and two daughters to mourn for him. He embraced the Sabbath and kindred truths about twenty years ago and was a faithful member of the Seventh-day Adventist church until death. Services were conducted at the house.

F. A. DETAMORE.

### Miscellaneous

#### Life and Health

The September edition of *Life and Health* was the largest of any regular number ever published, yet by the fifteenth of the month it was all sold. The October number will be larger still.

Agents everywhere are greatly increasing their orders. One church of thirty members is selling 10,000 copies. Those who would like to sell the journal should write them for special agents prices.

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Entered as Second-class matter April 6, 1906, at  
the Post-office at Minneapolis, Minn., under  
the Act of Congress, March 3, 1879.

Eld. A. Mead passed through the city Monday on his way to his home at Brainerd, Minn.

The Minnesota Conference Committee has been in session for two or three days the past week.

Sr. Belle Hacket of Hewitt, Minn., has been visiting her sister, Miss Ella Merickel, of Minneapolis, for a few days.

The Academy at Elk Point, S. D. opens September 26. Every effort is being made to make the school first class in every respect.

Eld. O. O. Bernstein has visited Maple Plain the past week and we understand that he is going to Good Thunder for a few days.

A question for the workers,—Will you kindly look carefully at these items and see how many you have sent in? Will you cast your mind backward and see if you can recall when you sent us some? It is time for you to send some more. We can glean news items from letters, or thankfully accept them ready made, but we do not know how to think them up.

Another quarter is nearly gone. Have all our people secured their Sabbath school lesson quarterlies for the coming quarter? Your tract society has them.

Eld. H. S. Shaw and Bro. C. M. Everest left Minneapolis last night to attend the Bookmen's Convention and General Conference Council to be held at Washington, D. C., beginning September 27.

Bro. I. W. Cook, who is residing at the Minnesota Soldiers Home near Fort Snelling called at the Tract Society office this morning and left five dollars to assist in rebuilding the Pacific Press.

Bro. Mark Comer reports an excellent meeting at Stillwater last Sabbath. Brother Comer goes to St. Cloud to-day. The work at that place is to be under his supervision during the fall and winter.

The calendar of the Sheyenne River Academy has come to our desk. It is a neat work and does honor to the school. We think the Northern Union Conference can well be proud of its academies.

A letter from Elder Underwood written at Syracuse, N. Y. under date of September 22, says, "We are all well. I am stopping here over the Sabbath, and go on the forepart of the week to Washington."

The Maplewood Academy teachers are arriving. A letter from Bro. S. E. Jackson announces the arrival of the preceptor and preceptress, Professor Howard and Miss Carrie Hopkins. We bespeak for those who attend Maplewood good school advantages.

Mrs. C. M. Everest is making a visit to her old home near Crow Wing, Minn., for a few days.

Bro. Mark Comer, who has been laboring in St. Cloud during the summer, passed through this city Friday on his way to Stillwater, Minn.

Sr. A. D. Ewert has been very ill with typhoid fever for some time. This has taken Brother Ewert from the work. We are glad to know that Sister Ewert is regaining her strength again. But just now comes the announcement that their babe is dead. We sympathize deeply with them in their distress.

### Elk Point Academy

A barrel of fine apples from P. A. Sanders of Irene is a very acceptable donation.

Miss Lizzie Magnuson writes from the Iowa Sanitarium at Des Moines, Ia., that she will be with us to take up her work as teacher September 26.

For about ten days we have had rainy weather—eight inches falling in twenty-four hours. This has delayed our work considerably, especially with the broom corn.

At this writing we have canned 12,000 cans of tomatoes, have picked about 800 bushels, and have labeled and either shipped or delivered to Elk Point dealers several thousand cans. Our last order for cans failing to arrive, made it necessary for our manager to go to Chicago. He returned Tuesday and now we have 2,000 more cans to fill. Several thousand more cans are on the way here. There are easily 200 bushels of ripe tomatoes on hand ready for use.

*September 19.*