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TO KNOW ALL IS TO FORGIVE ALL

If I knew you and you knew me,
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less
And clasp our hands in friendliness;
Our thoughts would pleasantly agree
If I knew you and you knew me.

If I knew you and you knew me,
As each one knows his own self, we
Could look each other in the face
And see therein a truer grace;
Life has so many hidden woes,
So many thorns for every rose;
The "why" of things our hearts would see,
If I knew you and you knew me.—Sel.

THE SECRET OF A CHRISTIAN CHARACTER

MRS. E. G. WHITE

Just in proportion as we empty the soul temple of self-sufficiency, self-dependence, and self-exultation will we realize the work that needs to be done to purify the soul, body and spirit before we can be filled with all the fulness of God. When this work is done the power of God will be revealed and the truth will be a mighty power in enlightening the mind, sanctifying the soul and spirit. Then genuine conversions will be made to Bible truth.

Who is willing to lay his finger upon his cherished idols of sin, and allow Christ to purify the temple by casting out the buyers and sellers? Who is prepared to allow Jesus to enter the soul and cleanse it from everything that tarnishes and corrupts? The standard is, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." God calls upon men and women to empty their hearts of self. Then his spirit can find an unobstructed entrance. Stop trying to do the work yourself. Ask God to work in and through

you until the words of the apostle become yours: "I live, yet not I; but Christ liveth in me."

The whole being must hunger and thirst after righteousness. The soul's desire must be drawn to God, to be in perfect conformity to his will. Then the cold, hard heart will be melted away by the grace and love of God, which will appear in power. God will be glorified through the human instrumentalities. Self is the great hindrance to this work.

Just as soon as the men in positions of trust realize their inability to do God's work, and submit to God's wisdom, the Lord can work with them. He will supply all our necessities if we will empty the soul of self. And when God works, give his name the glory. Do not receive praise from men. When self is abased God can work. Israel exalted herself, and the Lord abased her.

"From whence come wars and fightings among you? Come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members? Ye lust, and have not; ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain; ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. . . Do ye think that the Scriptures sayeth in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy? But he giveth more grace. Wherefore, he sayeth, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble. Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded; be afflicted, and mourn, and weep; let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he will lift you up."

"If ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure

then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, with partiality and without hypocrisy. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace." These lessons every church member should learn. There is need of close self-examination in the light of the word of God, that we may do the work essential to be done.

THE JOHNSTON SUNDAY BILL

Congress is now in session, but nothing has been done yet along the line of Sunday legislation so far as I have been able to learn. In a few days Congress will take its holiday recess, which will doubtless continue until about January 10. It is expected that from that day until March 4 will be a very precarious time, as the friends of the Johnston Sunday bill will exert every effort possible to get it through before Congress closes.

The clerk of the committee having the bill in charge told us the other day that right up to the close of the first session of this Congress last July there was an effort made to rush the bill through. The vital thing now is for our people to exert themselves in doing everything they can to defeat the bill between January 10 and March 4. If we succeed in doing this, there will be another respite until next December.

The best method of doing effective work against this measure is by the circulation of our religious liberty literature, getting signers to the petitions against the bill, and writing short letters of protest to the various congressmen. Congressman Nye, of Minnesota, the Minneapolis district, should have special attention. Those who have ability for writing short, tactful, to-the-point letters should write to the congressmen of their districts. Letters and petitions should be kept rolling in, and I believe the Lord will give us another victory.

K. C. RUSSELL.

DANISH-NORWEGIAN SEMINARY

We have at present seventy-two students enrolled, and they are good pupils, too, who have almost without exception come here to do thorough work to fit themselves for some place in the closing work. I can surely say that I enjoy my work at the seminary.

We have the forty acres of land cleared that we expected to clear this fall. We have had a number of men, besides the students, at work in the woods. This has made quite a change in the appearance of the farm.

All the rooms in the building are now full, with the exception of one on the first floor, and we have just received application from seven more students.

So it seems as though we will have plenty of students. In one room we have three girls, and we will have to double up this way with others if we are to have room enough this winter.

The attendance is certainly beyond our expectations. Possibly the teachers we now have in the building will have to move out before long. This will give us four more rooms, but even that will not be enough.

One encouraging thing that I will mention is that we have some music students from the town who come to the seminary for lessons. They pay \$1.50 for each lesson, and that gives us a little in come for the school from the outside.

The work of the school is in a very prosperous condition, and we have much to be thankful for.

M. L. ANDREASEN.

From the Field

Iowa Conference

DAVENPORT

My work here in this great city is only in its beginning, but in the half year I have been here, with the help of the Lord, I have been trying to do my best in house to house work. I have used fifty copies of the *Signs of the Times* and one hundred German *Zeichen der Zeit* every month, and some Danish and Swedish papers and tracts. My work, as you see, is international. I give or sell the papers, and where I find the people friendly and interested in religious matters, I call again. I have never met so many German people without religion of any kind as I find here.

At the Sigourney campmeeting I took twenty-four "Ministry of Healing" and the Lord has given me grace to sell twelve of these, besides many other of our good books. November 23 it was my great privilege to baptize three dear souls in the Baptist church here. On the following Sabbath we held our quarterly meeting and God blessed us together. Sister Buck has good prospects that more precious souls will soon decide for the truth.

We had a good visit from Elder Campbell, also Elders Dorcas and Lewis, and we hope they will remember this city with some good tent workers when the summer smiles again. Our church members are preparing the way already by selling "Ministry of Healing" and distributing the *Harvest Ingathering Review*. They have also distributed many other papers and tracts which the good sewing society helped to furnish. We are expecting a great harvest here; but it will take time, hard work and much of the spirit of God in it all.

We held meetings in the homes during the Week of Prayer and those who attended received blessings from above. We desire hearts more pure, that the missionary spirit and power may be shown in our lives. O. MADSEN.

UNIONVILLE

We arrived at this place August 18 and began our meetings the following Sunday. We had a good attendance until we came to the testing points, when, as usual, the crowd diminished; but those really interested continued to come. We have had very bitter opposition from the Methodist minister from the very first, but nevertheless there are five persons keeping the Sabbath as a result of the meetings and there are others who are studying these questions. I am leaving the Family Bible Teacher in twelve homes each week, and these are all receiving considerable study.

There being no church members at this place we organized a Sabbath school the first Sabbath we were here, and since the tent season closed we have rented a small building where we hold Sabbath school and prayer meeting each week. The attendance averages from six to nineteen and all seem to take a lively interest. In fact I never attended better prayer meetings than we have here; nearly everyone takes part in the prayer and social meetings.

Since closing the tent meetings we have been holding meetings in a school house six miles north of town. We had a good attendance from the beginning to the close of the meetings. We closed this course December 4, and as a result of the effort four persons have covenanted to keep all the commandments of God and walk in the light as fast as it is given them.

Pray for us and these dear souls who have started to walk in the straight and narrow way.

S. B. KEPHART,

GEO. J. SELTZER.

COUNCIL BLUFFS

I am still earnestly trying to lead people from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God. I find some who are willing to search the Scriptures to see whether or not these things are so. One woman who attended our recent convention is deeply interested in our faith, and I believe she will take her stand for right and truth.

We have had printed one thousand copies of "Father Enright on the Sabbath," and these we will use, with as many of the Family Bible Teacher leaflet on Sunday observance, and we hope by this effort many will be stirred to investigate for themselves.

We ask your prayers for the work in Council Bluffs, that the spirit of God may go before us to open the way and prepare the hearts of the people to receive the message. When I see the condition of our cities, I realize how Paul must have felt at Athens when his spirit was stirred within him as he saw the city wholly given to idolatry. How much we need earnest work in our cities now.

W. A. MCKIBBEN.

KNOXVILLE

The Knoxville church was encouraged by the visit of Sister Emma Hawkins during the Week of Prayer. In company with the writer she visited all of our people who are living in town, speaking words of courage and offering prayer in each home. The church here was organized fifty-one years ago this fall. Only two of the charter members remain, and even those accepting the message later on are now old people. Many of the younger members have gone to other fields to labor as nurses, Bible workers and teachers. We found the members all strong in the faith once delivered to the saints and of good courage. Our hearts were made glad by their cheering testimonies.

MARY EMMA WALL.

IOWA NOTES

The secretary of the Tract Society is making an earnest appeal to the members of the churches to commence a vigorous campaign with "Liberty" and "Protestant Magazine," urging that this is a time when those magazines should be distributed to those who will be influenced by them.

The sanitarium management has issued a beautifully colored picture of the new building in postcard size. Two copies of this card will be sent to anyone sending to Dr. Heald the names of five or more sick persons. Names of persons with contagious diseases are not desired.

Brother J. W. McComas was called to Waukon to conduct the funeral service of Brother Ralston, father of Miss Eugene Ralston, who for many years has been connected with our work as proof-reader, and is now with the "Review."

Sabbath, January 7, has been appointed Missionary Volunteer day, and church officers are requested to make the program provided a special feature for the occasion. The program was printed in the "Review" of last week.

One church in the conference sent in four different orders for the Missions number of the "Review." A nice little sum has already been collected and it is expected this will be considerably increased before the campaign closes.

Last week the conference officials sent petition blanks to the leaders of the churches throughout the state to be used in obtaining signatures against the Johnston Sunday bill, which is still before Congress.

Miss Edna Morton went to Mason City last week to connect with the workers at that place in their endeavor to present the message to the people. She will engage in Bible work.

The conference committee met at Nevada Tuesday last

to consider matters of urgent importance to the progress of the work.

Up to December 20 the ingathering donations from the Des Moines church amounted to \$115.31.

North Dakota Conference

JAMESTOWN

Colossians 1:25-29 is being fulfilled here in North Dakota. Although it has now been some time since I reported to the REAPER, this time has nevertheless been full of experiences that prove to me that the Lord will cut his work short in righteousness.

As there has been much written concerning the general meetings in other articles, I will only say that they have been a great blessing to the brethren and to the workers, and we look back to these meetings with much pleasure and satisfaction. The last of the meetings was held at Gackle and it seemed as if it were the best of all. The reason for this may be that this is a new place. The outside attendance was good and the subjects presented were new to our audiences.

From Gackle Elders Haffner, Seibel and the writer went to Kulm, where we had some good meetings with the brethren living in that vicinity. At the close of the meetings at Kulm the believers felt that they must consecrate themselves anew to the Lord and his service. From Kulm I went to Ellendale, where there are a few of our brethren. We had a good time together, and as some of the outsiders had heard that an Adventist minister was there, they came in to the meeting from ten miles around. After the last meeting they asked if it would not be possible that a minister would come back again soon. There is a good interest here and work should be done.

On December 7 it was my privilege to be with the students at the academy, and I was much pleased with the good spirit manifested by both students and teachers. They were all getting ready for good hard work during the Week of Prayer in working for the unconverted, and I hope to hear that a number of these have given their hearts to the Lord.

Sabbath, December 10, I spent with the church at Sheyenne, and the Lord came very near to us. There were difficulties among the brethren, and, after our associating together for a time, wrongs were righted, confessions were made and a number of persons made a new start. At this place the enemy of all righteousness has had success in the past in getting the hearts of these brethren set against each other, and now it means much to break loose from those bands and wholly serve the

Lord. May the Lord help us to make the words of Paul in Col. 3:9-17 our own, to "put on charity which is the bond of perfectness." "As ye have received Jesus Christ the Lord, so walk ye in him: rooted and built up in him and established in the faith as ye have been taught, abounding therein in thanksgiving." J. J. REISWIG.

WHO WILL HELP?

To the brethren of the North Dakota conference who have been faithful in contributing to the support of the canvassing work, particularly to those canvassers who have needed assistance, we now make a further appeal: At the close of 1910 we find our canvassers' fund very low. In fact, it is exhausted. It would be a pleasure to visit each church and every home for the purpose of plainly presenting our need before each individual, but that would take a great deal of time and be an expense that we cannot afford just now. We ask you to freely send in your offerings for the canvassers' fund to Brother E. L. Spencer, Box 285, Fargo, North Dakota. The canvassers visit from ten thousand to fifteen thousand homes annually with good literature. If there are any persons in the conference who do not desire to see this work continue, we will not expect to hear from them.

NORTH DAKOTA CANVASSERS.

South Dakota Conference

A LAST WORD

It hardly seems necessary to add one word to what has already been written in the *Review* and REAPER about the importance of all our young people obtaining and using the Morning Watch Calendar for the year 1911. However I would like to emphasize, if possible, what others have written on this point.

Doubtless nearly everyone possesses a calendar at this writing, but methinks I have heard some saying: "Last year I began and faithfully followed the daily program for several months with profit, but for some unexplainable reason I did not continue to the end of the year. Therefore it is of no use for me to make the attempt at all this year, and I will not even send for a calendar and invite such failure." Am I not right? Perhaps you were committing to memory the scripture for the day and thus preparing yourself for the hour of temptation when you could say, "It is written," insuring victory. What a blessing we obtained in following the example of our Saviour! If we failed to continue in an experience last year it is all the more important that we begin anew and *all together* the first of the new year.

We are just one year nearer the time spoken of by the Prophet Amos (Amos 8:8, 11, R.) when there will be a famine in the land, not for bread nor for water, but for the Word of God. Then men shall run to and fro and shall not find it, perishing because of the great famine unless the word be hidden (Ps. 119:11) in their hearts. Will you and I be supplied with the Bread of Life in that day, or shall we be among the famine-stricken inhabitants of the earth?

We are answering this question every day, and *to-day* let the youth of South Dakota answer it by sending a rush order to the South Dakota Tract Society (if they have not already done so) for a copy of the Morning Watch Calendar—the best aid in study, meditation and prayer I know of for our youth. *Act promptly* and we will all start out together January 1, asking God to help us to continue to the end that we “may be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth and length and depth and height, and to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that we might be filled with all the fulness of God.”

NELLIE B. UNDERWOOD.

ALPENA AND ASH GROVE

The Week of Prayer was a source of great blessing to the people of God at the above-named places. The Lord came very near and drew the hearts of his children together in Christian love and fellowship, so that the blessings of his spirit rested upon all. Each one was touched with a greater determination to stand loyal to the Master and to do what he has assigned should be done—the giving of the last warning message to a dying world in this generation.

The first part of the week was spent by the writer at Alpena. The second meeting held was one long to be remembered, as the spirit of God came in and two souls testified for Christ for the first time. After leaving Alpena I went to Ash Grove. Miss Weller continued the meetings started at Alpena, and the good Lord wonderfully blessed her for the faithful efforts put forth.

The meetings at Ash Grove were well attended and each one was drawn nearer to God by his sweet spirit. God has been wonderfully blessing the work and his people there, and as a result of their faithfulness to him we believe we will see other souls brought into the fold of Christ. This is as it should be, and God is well pleased when we all hold up the standard of truth in our lives and labor untiringly for those who are near home as well as abroad.

We were made glad to note how the truth we so much love has gone to all parts of the earth.

And we especially rejoiced to see the omens of our Saviour's soon coming. The meetings closed with a liberal donation to missions, and all testified that it “pays to be a Christian” and to have a part in the work of saving souls. F. S. BUSZ.

SPECIAL TRAINING FOR TEACHING

I cannot refrain from speaking of one of the greatest needs of our educational work. It is the need of young people to take special training for teaching. Many young people take upon themselves the duties of a church school teacher when they have taken two or three years of academic work without any special preparation for the work of teaching. Such do not realize at what a disadvantage they are working, not alone to themselves, but to the children who are dependent upon them for instruction. Normal training is such a help to one in every way. One's view of the work is broadened, she gets so many methods and devices that help so much in bringing about desired ends in the children's training, and these plans keep suggesting others. I venture to say that not a day passes but what one who has had the privilege of this training does not see many ways in which it materially helps her. One can hardly realize until she has taken the work, what even one year of normal training will do for her. If one cannot devote so long a time to preparation, a summer school is a very great help.

Surely South Dakota has young people enough so that there should be several in training for her schools.

The normal department of Union College is doing excellent work. A very few are receiving the benefits it is bestowing. Cannot South Dakota have a good representation in this department during the coming year?

Someone must be prepared to train fresh recruits for the army of the Lord. Shall we not do all in our power to meet the growing needs of so worthy a work? O, that there may be a rallying to the support of Christian education for the children.

BELLE TWINING.

SOUTH DAKOTA NOTES

Elder D. N. Wall reports a good interest across the river where he and Brother Reiner are holding meetings among the Germans. Four new families have expressed their intention to live the truth. One family has been reclaimed and others are interested.

Brother Victor Hawley, our Tract Society Secretary, and Sister Reta Watson, of Mitchell, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents on Wednesday of last week. Their many friends join in wishing them much joy.

Brother G. W. Stilson, our treasurer, informs us that the South Dakota conference has not only reached the tenth-a-week a member to missions, but has made up our portion of the \$300,000 fund for this year.

THE BOOK WORK

IOWA—WEEK ENDING DECEMBER 16

Name	Hrs	Ords	Helps	Total	Del'd
Daniel and Revelation					
Iver Hansen	28	3	50	9 50	\$51 00
Heralds of the Morning					
Wm. Howell	18				87 75
J. V. Trimble	42				146 75
Totals	98	3	\$ 50	\$9 50	\$285 50

Let all who are concerned remember the general meeting to be held at Elk Point December 29-January 1. There will be meetings day time and evening. The first meeting will be held Thursday evening.

Brother C. F. Cole has been asked to take charge of the canvassing work in this conference the coming season. Sister Cole expects to handle periodicals.

Elder C. M. Babcock spent some time at the office Thursday and left Friday for Artesian, where was to conduct quarterly meeting.

Brother A. G. Newcomb, of Woonsocket, is spending some time canvassing for "Bible Readings" in the vicinity of his home.

Miss Verna Weller, who is assisting Elder Busz in the work at Alpena, is spending a few days with her parents at Huron.

C. F. Hansen reports five new accessions to the faith where he has been holding meetings near Glenham.

Brother W. L. Manfull spent a couple of days at Woonsocket and vicinity in the interest of the book work.

Brother G. W. Stilson spent Sabbath and Sunday with the little company in the country north of Salem.

Funds continue to come in from the Harvest Ingathering and annual offering. This is certainly cheering.

Brother D. H. Buller is just finishing a successful Christmas delivery of "Practical Guide."

ELK POINT ACADEMY NOTES

Some of the students are leaving for a few days' visit at home during the holidays. Among these are: Misses Pearl Stafford, Florence Cole, Edith Batson, Katie McFry.

Sister O. M. Kittle is taking Mrs. Bolton's place as matron during the absence of the latter. We all appreciate her assistance as well as her fine meals.

Miss Emma Christenson in enjoying a visit from her mother, Mrs. Anna Frederickson, from Lincoln, Neb.

Ernest Tucker, one of the pioneers at the academy, is making us a few days' visit.

Minnesota Conference

MANKATO GENERAL MEETING

According to appointment the Mankato general meeting opened Friday evening, December 16. The evening discourse was given by Elder Bernstein, he preaching on the subject of the "Millenium." O, how plain this truth is, and though we have heard it many times it never loses its lustre. Certainly this is the truth of God which is going forward to triumph.

The Sabbath morning service was given up to a consideration of the advancement of the truth in the earth. We are years behind what we might have been, and yet it is encouraging to know that one out of every thirteen Seventh-day Adventists is actually engaged in the work in some capacity, as teacher, preacher, doctor, nurse, canvasser, Bible worker or other kindred occupation; that today there is one Seventh-day Adventist for every 15,836 persons in the world. Linking these facts with the consecration service of Sabbath afternoon, which was on the "Giving and Reception of the Holy Spirit," we can see how quickly the message could go if we only relate ourselves to this work in such a way that the Lord could bless with his Holy Spirit. The day was a very profitable one. At the morning service every individual arose, consecrating themselves to the service of the Lord, before giving of their means.

Sunday morning a very profitable meeting was held, considering plans for the work. It was of special interest to the writer because individuals who held different responsibilities in the church seemed especially anxious that their line of work should succeed. When this is the condition there is sure to be advancement.

A number of brethren and sisters came from surrounding churches. The evening services were conducted especially to interest the outside, and we were pleased to note that quite a number of persons from the city were in attendance.

S. E. JACKSON.

A VISIT TO MAPLEWOOD ACADEMY

It was my privilege to spend two days at the Maplewood Academy the week before Christmas, and I was much pleased to see the school running so nicely. It was my plan to spend the entire week there, but vacation began Tuesday and many of the students returned to their homes, leaving only a few at the academy. School work begins next Tuesday, December 27.

It seemed strange not to find all the members of the faculty who were wont to greet us in other years, and we missed Miss Hopkins, Ernest Sheldon and Prof. Howard and family, but I was pleased to find Prof. Robert Hare and Miss Hicks doing excellent work. It was a real pleasure to meet the present faculty and to again realize that the work is the Lord's and is not wholly dependent upon humanity.

Every class is doing good work. Each teacher seems to be consecrated to the work and earnestly striving to do the very best he can. The majority of the students are willing to co-operate. The enrolment this year has reached one hundred six, and the dining room has seated at one time ninety-six.

So it can be realized the crowded conditions there.

There seems to be but one way out of the difficulty—a new dormitory. A one-story addition should be built on the south end of the main building, thus enlarging the dining-room and kitchen. More room might be provided by removing two partitions, thus affording a new dormitory to accommodate about fifty students. Then the school would be well equipped for room. Possibly it is not realized that the school rooms have not been used for school purposes, but are used for students' rooms, accommodating six or seven students each, that three little rooms on the fourth floor, with insufficient light and little ventilation, and the dining-room are used for class rooms. I am sure that if the crowded condition could be realized it would be but a short time until the new dormitory would be built.

Notwithstanding the crowded conditions the students seem to be determined to make the best of the circumstances. The fact that all our schools are so well filled is an omen and indication that the Lord is gathering his forces for the final movement which will close up the work in this generation.

W. W. RUBLE.

THE DULUTH CHURCH SCHOOL

September 12 our school opened with an enrolment of nine pupils, which has since increased to eleven. We are nicely located in our pleasant basement room. During the Week of Prayer we had regular meetings each day, and I am sure that the hearts of the missionaries and home workers would have been cheered could they have heard the sweet prayers offered to God for them by these little children, and the testimonies of the children telling of their earnest desire to be faithful and to become servants of the Master. They placed their offerings inside of toy horses, dogs, dolls, etc., which they made and then put them on a pretty evergreen tree. One little girl said, "I like this kind of a Christmas tree best because we are really giving to Jesus." Their offering with that of the children of the Sabbath school amounted to \$13.47.

Let us earnestly pray that all the "lambs" may be brought into the fold of Christ.

JEANNETTE FRANKLIN.

MINNESOTA NOTES

Elder W. W. Ruble, the Union Conference Educational Secretary, visited Maplewood Academy last Monday and Tuesday and gives a good report of the work being done there. He went to his home at Alexandria for a few days.

Elder G. L. Budd, who has been working in connection with the Minneapolis church the last four weeks, went to Alexandria yesterday and will conduct quarterly meeting service at that church next Sabbath.

Prof. H. J. Sheldon, of Maplewood Academy, has sent

\$68.87 to the conference treasurer, the annual offering of Maplewood Academy students. This is double what was given last year.

A letter received from Sebeka says we must have someone to follow up the interest begun by Brother Bjurstrum. Two families are keeping the Sabbath and another is very much troubled.

Brother H. W. Johnson, of Detroit, has arranged his business affairs so that he can devote his entire time to work with the monthly periodicals. May he have success in his efforts.

Elder A. W. Kuehl who has been laboring in the vicinity of Nevis, returned to this city on Thursday last and will remain until after the meeting of the auditing committee this week.

The conference and auditing committees will meet in this city Tuesday, December 27. The names of the auditing committee were published in last week's issue of the REAPER.

Brother Floyd Stratton, our canvassing agent, has been out at Hector delivering books for Brethren Jesse Layman and Carl Sorenson. He reports a very successful delivery.

The secretary of the Tract Society desires all persons and societies indebted to the State Tract Society to send in funds to balance accounts for the new year.

The annual offering of the students and teachers at the Danish-Norwegian Seminary was \$20.50.

Elder S. E. Jackson conducted the service at the Lake City church last Sabbath.

THE Medical Department of the General Conference is desirous of obtaining the names and addresses of graduate nurses who are not at present employed, or who are engaged in private practise, and are willing to connect with the organized work. Address Medical Department, S. D. A. Conference, Takoma Park, D. C.

CHOICE OPPORTUNITIES

I would suggest that any who are contemplating coming to Hutchinson to reside and who wish to secure desirable locations near the S. D. A. Seminary should write me and state what kind of property is desired. I have for sale some of the choicest improved and unimproved property in close proximity to the Seminary farm which can be secured in tracts of varying sizes.

Such property is limited in quantity and will soon be all taken. The land is of the finest quantity suitable for mixed farming and dairying. It is rapidly increasing in value. It would be advisable for anyone contemplating purchasing here to come at once and get a choice selection. Land can be viewed to advantage any time so long as open and mild weather continues with no snow.

References—Board of Managers of the Seminary, or any Hutchinson bank.
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THE Bookmen's Missionary Convention for the Northern and Central Union Conferences will be held at College View, Neb., January 16-23. This very important yearly gathering will bring together the leaders in the missionary departments of the two unions for a comparison of experiences and to receive instruction to better prepare them for their work during 1911. The tract society and conference missionary secretaries will also attend this meeting. It is anticipated that the union conference officers will meet at College View in connection with the Bookmen's convention.

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THE *United Presbyterian*, speaking of the recent Episcopal convention, says: "What is contemplated by the proposed universal congress? Is it proposed to work for the organization of all Christian bodies into one organization? Such a union, beautiful in words, is altogether impracticable, and if accomplished would be a blight upon the church of Christ. The idea is without a single foundation stone in the New Testament. Such a concentration of power as a world-wide organization would soon lead to a despotism which finds its illustration in the Roman Catholic church."

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THE New Year's number of the *Signs of the Times* is a beautiful one in its cover design, and it is filled with splendid things. The frontispiece shows Yosemite in winter. There are special articles on the "Great Events of 1910" and the recent developments in Portugal and Spain. The general articles are very interesting and are by well-known writers. Elder Westworth contributes a very interesting article on China, and Dr. Paulson and Prof. B. G.

Wilkinson present themes in the home department which are well worth special attention.

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THE election of church officers will be an important feature of church work this week, and much wisdom is needed in order that the proper persons may be chosen. To a very great extent the prosperity of the missionary work of the church depends on the persons who are selected at the annual election. None of the churches can afford to place inefficient persons in charge of the work, and the committees appointed should seek for divine wisdom in order that the responsibilities placed on them shall be properly met.

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THE January issue of *Life and Health* is a mother's number. It will give mothers some of the best help obtainable on the proper care of their babies, and much other information essential to her own individual welfare and that of other members of the family. This number of *Life and Health* will not only be a good selling number, but will be a decided help and a special blessing to every home in which it is placed.

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THE program for Missionary Volunteer Day, Sabbath, January 7, was published in the issue of the *Review* of December 22. The churches everywhere are asked by the leaders of the young people's department to give the time of the regular service for that day to a prayerful consideration of the young people's work. The program under the direction of a good leader may be made very interesting.

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W. L. MANFULL, who for four years has been General Field Agent of the Northern Union Conference, has received a call to take up the same line of work in the Canadian Union Conference, which he has accepted, and will go to the new field the latter part of January. Brother Manfull's work in the Northern Union has been appreciated, and the good wishes of all his associates will go with him to his northwestern field.

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THE *Sabbath School Worker* enters on its twenty-seventh year with the January number. The magazine is increased in size, now containing twenty pages, and it is believed its usefulness is increased in proportion to its increase in size. The *Worker* should find a place in the home of every Seventh-day Adventist. Single copy one year, 35 cents; two or more copies to one address, 30 cents.