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HOW TO GIVE.

"GIVE as you would if an angel
Awaited your gift at the door;
Give as you would if to-morrow
Found you where waiting was o'er;
Give as you would to the Master
If you met his searching look;
Give as you would of your substance
If his hand your offering took."

BE FAITHFUL.

To be faithful means to be firm. We are not faithful to the trust that God has placed in our hands unless we are firm and constant in that which he has made know to us. As I was reading the report of the Iowa State camp-meeting in the *Review* of June 14, written by Bro. Cornell, my attention was especially arrested by the question asked concerning the young people who gave themselves to the Lord anew, or for the first time, "Will these young people, as they return to their homes, find there (in their homes) and in the church the help that they should have to carry out their convictions?" Dear parents and brethren and sisters of Iowa, what shall the answer be? What has been your experience so far since the camp-meeting in carrying out the good resolutions there formed, to make this the most faithful year of your lives in living for God? Upon the carrying out of these resolutions depends the answer to the question regarding our children.

Satan will do all in his power to cause every one to fall back into slumber. You will feel his influence as you never have before. Will you be faith-

ful to your trust? Will you set the example of faithfulness to every duty that all need, both parents and children? Will you with firm trust in God do more to carry the truth to others than you did last year?

New tracts are now coming out that must be carried to the people by us. A neat twenty-four page tract has just been issued entitled "The Heralds of His Coming." This will be an excellent tract to hand out and to send in every letter that you write. There is another, "The Day of the Sabbath," of sixteen pages. I only mention these; there are many others. Then our papers should be handed to those around us.

Truly, "The harvest is great, but the laborers are few." How many of those who have been called to the light of this precious truth can say, and know that they speak truly, "I am a live harvester for the Lord"? To those who have not already mapped out something to do, let me say. Begin right away. Write to the State Tract Society for papers, tracts, or counsel, and let Satan's plans for putting off work be defeated.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

"STEPS TO CHRIST."

We believe that much good may be done by selling "Steps to Christ" in connection with tent efforts. Much depends upon the *time* when the books are handed out to be read. This should be done as soon as an interest arises. "Strike while the iron is hot." Assure the people that they are welcome to read the book, even those who are sure they cannot buy it. Let them know that your main object is to give them the advantage of the book's contents, not simply to make a sale. Make the sale of the book secondary,

but by no means fail to let them know that 'you have it for sale. When a person knows that you are carrying the work because of its merits and not for gain, he will feel more free to investigate it. We need not canvass, but simply introduce the book and let it speak for itself. Only get them to read it.

Benefits to be derived from this work: First, the book imparts to those who read, the best instruction that can be given on the way to come to Christ. Second, it builds a strong fortification against prejudice to Sister White, which in every place must be met sooner or later. Third, it opens the way for practical visiting.

It may be an aid in presenting this book, to get recommendations from the resident ministers. The following is what the pastor of the United Presbyterian church in one of the places where I labored, said in its favor:—

"Having read carefully the book 'Steps to Christ,' by Mrs. E. G. White, I cordially commend it as an instructive work, safe and spiritually quickening. No false coloring is given the Word; but the scripture light is let in upon the pathway of both the Christian and the inquirer."

C. T. ADAMS.

UNION COLLEGE.

THE new Calendar for Union College is now out, and will be mailed free to any address. This is the neatest and most complete Calendar yet sent out by the College, and a copy of it should be in the hands of every Seventh-day Adventist family in the State of Iowa.

Eighty young men and women from Iowa enjoyed the advantages offered by the College during the past year, but during the coming year this number should be doubled. Special plans

are being made to strengthen and broaden the work. A strong faculty of experienced men and women stand at the head of the institution, and a personal interest will be taken in every young person who attends. On account of good crops and fair prices, the country is perhaps now experiencing the best times it will ever have. Let every one take advantage of this favorable time; for it will not last long. There is right now the greatest demand in the history of the denomination for educated, trained, and consecrated young men and woman. Iowa in the past has made a good record, but there are still scores of bright young people in the State who ought to be training and educating themselves for some place of usefulness in the Lord's work.

Send for a copy of the new Calendar and see for yourselves the opportunities offered for next year. Parents should lose no time in arranging to place their children in college during the coming year. Young men and women should begin to plan at once to be present at the opening of the term next fall. Special courses are arranged for those who only desire to spend a short time in school.

I shall be glad to correspond with every one interested in receiving an education, or with parents who have children who ought to be in school. Write me fully concerning your needs and your circumstances, and I will give you all the information I can.

Address all communications to
W. T. BLAND, *Pres.*,
College View, Neb.

FIELD REPORTS.

NEVADA.

It was my privilege to be with the Nevada church June 24-26. The quarterly meeting was held at that time. The occasion was truly blessed of the Lord. Seven were received into the church, a part of whom were baptized at our good camp-meeting. We enjoyed several good testimony meetings. I think all were refreshed. As we studied the word of the Lord to us, we all thanked God and took courage.

I know that every church in the State will be tried during the year in more ways than ever before, but to that soul who is willing to let self die, not once nor twice but "daily," all the time, there is constant and eternal victory. I thank the Lord that we are

where trials can come until self is gone. Then brethren or sisters will *never* get offended. "Great peace have they that love thy law: and nothing (no thing) shall offend them."

CLARENCE SANTEE.

ARLINGTON, FAYETTE COUNTY.

WE began meetings at this place Thursday evening, June 23. The attendance has been quite good, considering the weather. Our meetings have been somewhat broken up by rain and wind. We have had to let our tent down three evenings. The people are quite afraid of storms, and when it begins to thunder they will leave the tent. We have held nine meetings, with an attendance of from thirty to one hundred ten. The people give good attention, and we have had the best of order. The Lord is blessing us, and we leave the results with him. This place has about seven or eight hundred inhabitants. It has been canvassed once with tracts which treat on the subjects presented at the tent, and we expect to have the town gone over again soon. We trust that some souls may be gathered from the ruin. Remember us in your prayers.

C. J. BUHALTS.

U. P. LONG.

NEW LONDON, HENRY COUNTY.

WE pitched our tents at this place June 23. They are nicely located in the city park among the shade trees, so we are well protected from the wind and sun. This we appreciate, especially the former, as our audience tent is not strong, having been in use for some years. Our audiences are quite good, considering the very busy time of the year, and also that we are so near the Fourth of July. The attendance ranges from about fifty to seventy-five or eighty. The people seem friendly. Pray for the work at this point, that the Word of God may have free course.

July 1.

C. A. WASHBURN.

WILLIS M. ADAMS.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

My wife and I are now located in our new field, and like it here very much. We find a church of kind brethren and sisters, who have helped us not a little in getting located and started in our work. There are a few who are interested in the last call, and we pray that we may be able to make that advancement and growth that God can approve, as we engage in his work.

C. A. HANSON.

MOULTON.

WE have pitched our tent, and began meetings at this place on the 18th inst. Brethren from West Grove assisted us in locating, and we are in the central part of the town. There are about 1,300 inhabitants in Moulton, and the Wabash Ry. connects with Centerville and Bloomfield. We have held seven services, with congregations of from twenty to one hundred. There are four churches, and the chiming of the bells suggests a choice of places for those who plan the evening for church services. We are seeking to follow so closely the One who gave his life for the sheep that the voice of the True Shepherd may be recognized in the message we bear, and those who have not yet listened to that voice may hasten to enter the fold. O, that each of us, dear brethren, as under shepherds, may faithfully gather the straying ones, feed the hungry, and shield the lambs from the chilling air of earth's darkest night.

W. B. EVERHART.

E. E. GARDNER.

A. J. IDEN.

OBITUARY.

CHRISTENSEN.—Died at the home of her daughter in Council Bluffs, Iowa, June 17, 1898, Sister Christena Christensen, aged 77 years, 11 months, and 5 days.

Sister Christensen was born in Denmark. She became a member of the Council Bluffs S. D. A. church six years ago, and was a faithful servant of her Lord and Master until the day of her death. She leaves three children in this country and one in Denmark. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer.

C. A. HANSON.

MILLER.—Died at Massena, Iowa, June 11, 1898, of a complication of diseases, Bro. Henry Miller, aged 67 years, 6 months, and 17 days.

Bro. Miller was converted in September, 1891, during the meetings held by Eld. C. A. Washburn and H. V. Adams. He was baptized the following month, and united with the Massena church, of which he has been a faithful member ever since. He was sick five weeks, but never complained. He loved to bow around the family altar, and was conscious till the last. He passed away without a struggle, as one going to sleep. He leaves a sick wife and two daughters, and many friends, to mourn. The funeral services were conducted by Eld. E. G. Olsen and Bro. W. M. Adams.

A. R. DAVIS.

THE BOOK WORK.

ENCOURAGING PROMISES.

"BLESSED are they that sow beside all waters." Isa. 32:20. To whom is this promise more precious than the faithful canvasser, who, as he goes from place to place, meet divers classes of people? All the seed sown does not fall on good ground, and yet we know that some will yield an hundred fold. Then "let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." Gal. 6:9. We may not always be treated the most kindly, and sometimes may not be granted admittance; but remember, our Saviour was "despised and rejected of men (Isa. 53:3); and the "servant is not greater than his Lord." John 15:20. When the masses seem indifferent to the precious truths we carry, should we become discouraged? No; let us rather weep as did Christ over Jerusalem, because his teachings were not accepted. Matt. 23:37. The Psalmist says, "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy."

PEARL D. BASCOM.

FROM THE CANVASSERS.

SUSAN AND MARY HASKELL, WAVERLY: "We have had quite good success delivering this time, although we were hindered somewhat by a large circus. We got up early and started out before our customers were up. Some of them said that they would have used their money to go to the show if we had not come. It pays to get ahead of a circus."

ELSIE FULTON, OTTUMWA: "The people all seemed glad to get their books. One little boy told his mamma he was afraid the lady wasn't coming with their book. My earnest prayer is that these books may be the means of bringing to many a knowledge of present truth."

H. G. MILLER, DARBYVILLE: "I am happy in the work. I find more to do this summer than ever before. Our missionary garden is growing nicely. We asked the Lord to bless it, and he has."

S. B. KEPHART, STUART: "The Lord has blessed me in delivering my books. My prayer is that he may water the seed sown, that it may bring forth fruit at the harvest time."

LEWIS HILLIARD, SPENCER: "I have had good success in delivering my books this time, the best I have ever had. To the Lord be all the praise."

H. B. TILDEN, SIGOURNEY: "The Lord is blessing our work in this part of the field."

MISS LULU FRENCH, one of the Des Moines company of canvassers, is this week compelled to go home, on account of ill health.

BRO. ARTHUR RHOADS, who has been canvassing in Butler county, was called by telegram to College View, last week, on account of the serious illness of his mother.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 24, 1898.

PROPHECIES OF JESUS.		
	Hrs.	Ord. Val.
H. G. Miller, Darbyville.....	54	7 \$14.25
Burton Church, Parkersburg, ..	37	5 8.75
Lewis Hilliard, Spencer.....	44	15 26.75
Carl Rasmussen, Rockwell.....	42	6 10.50
*D. N. Johnson, Parkersburg....	36	4 9.00
*John Mitcheltree,	6	1 1.75

THE COMING KING.		
	Hrs.	Ord. Val.
*H. B. Tilden, Sigourney.....	29	2 \$2.00
Pearl D. Bascom, Waukon.....	32	4 4.00
Sarah Duerksen, Independence..	20	9 9.00
Nettie Gaede, Muscatine.....	14	2 2.00
Anna Duerksen	18	6 6.00
C. E. Rentfro, Sigourney.....	7	6 6.00
Andrew Johnson,	10	2 2.00
Dora Rasmussen, Sioux City....	15	5 5.00
Christine Henriksen,	12	4 4.00
Cathinka Henriksen	14	4 4.00
*E. A. Warner, Darbyville.....	3	3 3.00
*S. B. Kephart, Stuart.....	1	1 1.00
Isalah Moore, Fairfield.....	39	15 15.50
Mary E. Hannah, Des Moines....	2	1 1.00
Carrie E. Brown,	2	0
*Ida Church, Ottumwa.....	3	3 3.00
Susan Haskell, Charles City....	13	2 2.00
Mary Haskell,	15	2 2.00
*R. L. Bennett, Grundy Center..	1	1 1.00
J. S. Fry, Montezuma.....	21	11 11.00

CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR.		
	Hrs.	Ord. Val.
Miss Martha Miller, Knoxville..	6	4 \$6.00

GOSPEL PRIMER.		
	Hrs.	Ord. Val.
Martin and Oscar Johnson, ..	21	6 \$1.50

DELIVERIES.			
	Books.	Value.	Lost.
Martin J. Fritz.....	25	\$64.00	0
Arthur French.....	39	39.00	2
R. L. Bennett.....	46	46.00	0
Ida Church.....	14	14.00	3
Elsie Fulton.....	9	9.00	1
S. B. Kephart.....	47	47.00	4
E. A. Warner.....	60	60.00	5
H. B. Tilden.....	60	60.00	2
John Mitcheltree.....	6	11.50	1
D. N. Johnson.....	14	25.75	1
Lewis Hilliard.....	1	1.75	0
Nettie Gaede.....	1	1.00	0
Cathinka Henriksen.....	1	1.00	0
Mary E. Hannah.....	1	1.00	1
Carrie E. Brown.....	1	1.00	0
Mary Haskell.....	2	2.00	0
Susan Haskell.....	1	1.00	0

SUMMARY.		
No. of agents		31
" " orders		131
Value of "		\$159.00
" " helps sold		\$53.70
Total value		\$212.70
Value of deliveries		\$985.00
*Delivering.....		

"It is only the life that has been surrendered to Jesus that can be made efficient in the advancement of his kingdom."

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

OUR SABBATH SCHOOL LESSONS.

ALREADY we have begun the lesson study for this quarter, commencing at the very beginning of all things connected with our life here in this world. Who shall say these lessons are not important? "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works." It is the knowledge of God's word that "hid in the heart will keep us in temptation's hour. A knowledge of the work of creation will help us and our children to settle so called "scientific facts" with "It is written." Let us not spend the time in speculating and guessing about that which has not been revealed, but rather study to find out all that we possibly can of what God has said with regard to these things. Scientific truths are scattered throughout the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation. Let us hunt them out, connect them together, and study to show ourselves approved unto God, workmen that need not to be ashamed.

One of the very best helps for this Old Testament study is one that the Lord himself has given us,—“Patriarchs and Prophets,” by Mrs. E. G. White. Many beautiful thoughts and valuable lessons will be lost to us if we fail to make use of what has been written for us in this book. The Iowa Tract Society, wishing to bring this book within the reach of as many as possible at this time, have made a special reduction in the price, for which see last page of the BULLETIN. May the Spirit of God guide us in all our study. MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

CONVENTIONS.

MRS. LEONA F. HABENICHT, PERRY: "The Perry Sabbath school held its second convention April 10. We could see a marked improvement in the work of those who took part. Only one session was held, but the papers were well prepared, and were fully discussed, and harmony prevailed. We felt the presence of the Lord very near. These meetings are a source of great blessing to us, and we feel to thank God for them."

EDITH TIBBETS WADDEN, CENTERVILLE: "Our convention was held on Sunday, and was very enjoyable and instructive. After appropriate music, prayer, and some touching remarks by our chairman, papers were read upon all the topics in the program sent us. A poem was composed on 'The Teacher's Work,' by one of the members of the school. We pray that God will still bless the Sabbath-school work and workers."

Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, July 5, 1898.

—THERE are too many in the ship who do nothing to work the vessel.—*H. H. Snell.*

—MRS. G. A. EVARTS, who has been in our city since April, has returned to California. Her sister, Mrs. Stephens, will remain here for a time.

—MRS. MARY FREDERICK, M. D., of Ft. Dodge, is in our city for a few days, and met with the church last Sabbath on the quarterly meeting occasion.

—MRS. A. BAKER, of Polk City, is stopping in Des Moines for a time, having a cancer removed. The treatment received promises to be successful.

—BRO. C. G. LARSON, of Ruthven, is spending a short time in the South. Having visited his son Eld. M. Larson, at Hagerman, New Mexico, he is now with another son in Texas.

—WE know that the brethren and sisters will eagerly read the early reports from our tent companies, and that they will be glad to follow up the work at each place, if our workers will favor us thus with frequent reports.

—BRO. AND SISTER B. E. FULLMER visited Onawa last Sabbath, on the occasion of the dedication of the new church at that place. Bro. J. W. Dorcas has charge of the meetings at the Beacon Light Mission during their absence of a few days.

—ELD. J. S. HART spent a little time at home in Nebraska, following the camp-meeting, but is now again in Iowa, and was with the church at Onawa last Sabbath and Sunday. He expects soon to begin tent labor at Rolfe, Pocahontas county. Brn. George Larson and H. T. Curtis are to engage with him in the tent work this summer.

—As anticipated, Bro. S. A. Hill has been called to another State, and will act as State Canvassing Agent for the South Dakota Conference. He is making arrangements to go to his new field very soon, but will leave his family at Eddyville for a time. Having been connected with the work in Iowa for over five years, Bro. Hill has labored earnestly for the advancement of the canvassing work. As we are again called to give up one of our State workers, we can only pray that the Lord may continue to bless his efforts in the one great cause.

—WE call the attention of all our Sabbath school-students to one valuable and almost indispensable help for use in connection with the studies on the book of Genesis,—“Patriarchs and Prophets,” by Mrs. E. G. White. Doubtless nearly all are acquainted with the nature of the work. Bible history is traced from the creation to the time of David's death. The book contains 760 pages, and is illustrated by more than fifty fine engravings. It is bound in five styles, retailing as follows: cloth, marbled edge, \$2.25; cloth, gilt edge, \$2.75; full sheep, \$3.00; full morocco, \$4.50; also cloth, marbled, without illustrations, \$1.75. For the benefit of those studying the present series of lessons we now make a special reduction of one-half on the above prices. The purchaser should also send, in addition, 30 cents to pay the cost of sending the book. Address Iowa Tract Society, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

—FOR the encouragement of those who have been engaged in the circulation of our literature, especially by means of reading racks, and as an incentive to others, we speak of an item that has recently come to our notice. A minister in Eau Claire, Penn., requesting the publishers of the *American Sentinel* to send him a copy, says: “I am unacquainted with the paper, but my interest was awakened by seeing a copy in a depot in Fairfield, Iowa.” The paper was promptly mailed to him, accompanied by a letter, and we trust that the Spirit of the Lord may deepen the good impression already made.

—WITH this number Vol. 9 of the BULLETIN closes. Quite a number of the subscriptions on our list expire with this date; but we will send out No. 1, Vol. 10, to all, hoping to receive renewals soon.

—THE offerings collected last Sabbath and Sunday, July 2, 3, should be sent to the Iowa Tract Society, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa; and the same will be forwarded to the General Conference.

—WE would like a few extra copies of Nos. 39, 40, 47 and 48 of the BULLETIN. Will some of our subscribers supply us, please, with these numbers?

—BRO. GEO. SPADER, of Mitchelville, is in Des Moines on business for a few weeks.

—Miss LOIS CALKINS, of State Center, has been in our city since camp-meeting.

—If any of our librarians have failed to receive their quarterly report blanks, which were mailed to them last week, we will on notification supply them.

—*Apples of Gold Library* No. 51, “The Heralds of His Coming,” presents in a brief, yet clear and convincing way, the fact that our Lord is coming again, the manner of his coming, and many of the chief signs which conclusively show that his coming is near. It is illustrated by a helpful diagram. Price 1½ cents per copy, with usual discount on 25 or more copies.

—*Apples of Gold Library* No. 50 is entitled “The Day of The Sabbath.” A series of earnest questions on the subject of the Sabbath, covering most of its scripture phases, and bringing the truth home to every candid mind in the most direct, convincing, and least prejudicial way. Many of these questions have been successfully used by the author—Elder J. W. Raymond—in his experience in the past. Price 1 cent per copy. Discount on 25 copies or more.

—BELL'S LANGUAGE SERIES comprises five books, each complete in itself, yet forming a progressive study of our language, for the home or school. This series is now in use, and gives excellent satisfaction, as there is no better system. Book I, primary, 272 pages, 65 cents; Book II, elementary grammar, 224 pages, 65 cents; Book III, complete grammar, 281 pages, 80 cents; Book IV, rhetoric and higher English, 375 pages, \$1.25. These are all cloth bindings. Book V will comprise studies in English literature, and is now in process of preparation.

NOTICE.
A VALUABLE BOOK.



IN “Political Speeches and Debates” we have a book which will interest every man who is a lover of his country. It was the attempt to overthrow the equality of man, which led to the Civil war. Messrs. Lincoln and Douglas debated this question thoroughly, and the most important of these speeches are now published at a price within the reach of all. Address Iowa Tract Society. Price of the book, \$1.75.