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UNION COLLEGE.

THE vacation is almost over, and within a very short time the doors of Union College will begin to swing open, to let in the eager throng of students who will present themselves on the morning of Sept. 14 for another year's earnest work. During the past, Iowa has stood in the front ranks, and the present outlook is that she will not fall behind during the coming year. There are already many students, both old and new, who are making their plans to be here, and the prospect is now that next year will be a most profitable one in every respect. The College is in better condition than it has ever been. It is older, better equipped, and better known than ever before.

When we realize the importance of the times in which we are living, and this favorable opportunity that the Lord is giving us, it seems that every young person in the State of Iowa who ought to have the benefits of the College, should make a more earnest effort now than ever before to attend. Several lines of work will be carried on during the coming year that will be of inestimable value to our young people, and it will be worth their while even to make a sacrifice to be present.

Here is an opportunity for young men to receive a business education. This branch of the work has already been neglected too long. The denomination needs to-day many educated, consecrated men of business ability. Union College proposes to lead out in this line, and extends a cordial invitation to our young men and women of Iowa to come. Then there is the Normal Course. With the great demand for teachers that there is at present,

better than for several years. Now is the time to take advantage of these things. I shall be glad to hear from every young person in the State who expects to be here next year. If you have not yet received our College Calendar, indicate the same in your letter, and one will be sent at once.

W. T. BLAND.

College View, Neb.

EDUCATIONAL WORK.

"God would not have us, in any sense, behind in the educational work, and our colleges should be far in advance in the highest kind of education." "The youth should be taught the importance of cultivating their physical, mental, and moral powers, that they may not only reach the highest attainment in science, but, through a knowledge of God, may be educated to glorify him; that they may develop symmetrical characters, and thus be fully prepared for usefulness in this world, and obtain a moral fitness for immortal life." "Our school was established, not merely to teach the sciences, but for the purpose of giving instruction in the great principles of God's word, and in the practical things of every-day life."

"The highest class of education is that which will give such knowledge and discipline as will lead to the best development of character, and will fit the soul for that life which measures with the life of God. Eternity is not to be lost out of our reckoning."—*Extracts from "Testimonies."*



Iowa ought to have not less than fifty young women who have teaching ability, to enter this course next month. Here is one of the greatest opportunities in the history of the denomination for our young women.

There has always been a demand for ministers, Bible workers, and missionaries. The College is always anxious to encourage young people in these lines.

Crops are good this year, and prices

"One to-day is worth two to-morrows."

LOCAL CAMP-MEETING.

The second local camp-meeting will be held, the Lord willing, at Waverly, Iowa, Sept. 13-18, 1898. We have secured a beautiful location, and trust that the north-eastern part of the State may be well represented. All branches of the work will be considered. The light is advancing. Come expecting the Lord to bless us and our children. Come prepared to provide yourselves with books, tracts, etc. The hurry of the season will be over, and we will want to plan to enter the fall work with willing energy.

May the Lord open the way, and bless all in preparing for this meeting.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

A PRAISE OFFERING.

"WERE there not ten cleansed? but where are the nine?" I shall be one of the "nine" if I withhold longer the glory due to God for the great work done in my own family some years ago. My mother and brother came to my house from the South. My brother had been sick and was so still. After coming to my home he was sick with fever for three weeks, two doctors attending him. At the same time Eld. J. P. Henderson was holding a series of meetings in our church. In his discourses he spoke of healthful living, and of rational treatment of disease, and of the teaching of the "Testimonies" concerning the use of water treatment. I heard and believed, and obtained the consent of my brother to try it. Bro. Henderson gave him two treatments, and the fever was broken and he was on the way to recovery. Our mother had promised God that she would turn to him, recognizing his commandments, and keeping the true Sabbath, if he would restore her son to health again. It was done. How good the dear Lord was to hear the promise made, restore to health her boy, and by his Spirit make her strong in her weakness, so that she sought and found him an ever present help in time of trouble. In the years that have gone since then, she has rejoiced in the truth, and gladly uses the means entrusted, to help others to see the way of life. As for myself, I believe in a prayer-hearing and a prayer-answering God, as these lines I have written will testify.

"Ye whose sins have been forgiven,
Glorify the Lord;
Jesus is the Great Physician,
Praise his holy name."

MRS. UNA CARTWRIGHT.

GOOD CHEER MISSION.

THINKING that a report of the work here would be of interest, I will give something of what I have seen in the two months I have been here. There have been many who have been helped physically, and not a case that has not yielded to treatment. Some of the city physicians are sending some of their cases here to the mission for treatment. The wife of one of the physicians is also taking treatment. This ought to be an encouragement to any who are bound by disease. Such need not hesitate to come here for help.

There are both bright and dark sides to mission work. When we can take by the hand those that are way down in sin and degradation and lift them up, and cause them to rejoice in the light of the third angel's message, it does our hearts good. We have seen the manifest working of the Holy Spirit in the mission. A young man came reeling in, under the influence of liquor, and in a few minutes he was cleaned up, and had yielded to the Spirit of God, was perfectly sober, and went about rejoicing in the love of a dear Saviour. There are others that I might mention, but it would make this report too long. The people here are very hard to reach. They are very prejudiced.

We have now about twenty patients for treatment. We could accommodate about that many more. Lady patients are treated by lady nurses. Any one wishing further information should correspond with Dr. R. H. Habenicht, 116 N. Second St., Clinton, Iowa.

R. D. R. TOELIFF.

FIELD REPORTS.

COUNCIL BLUFFS.

Dear Brethren and Sisters: I thought this morning I would try to tell you how the work is prospering at Council Bluffs. The Lord has helped us, and we can but thank him for the results. Two new ones are now keeping the Sabbath. Several who were halting have decided to obey, and some request baptism. We have preaching on Friday and Sunday nights. Not many attend, but it seems that those who do are taking a stand for the truth, so we rather like it, as there is no falling off to discourage those who come out. During the week I am quite busy visiting and doing Bible work. I have ten readers at present, and there is a prospect for more. We owe a debt of thanks

to those of our brethren and sisters who have assisted us in every way they could. We are of good courage, and are looking for victory. Pray for us.

C. A. HANSEN.

ROLFE.

We are still here with the tent, and our meetings continue with about the same attendance, but we cannot tell what the results will be. We ask an interest in your prayers that God may bless us in our work, and that some here may be brought out to witness for his truth.

J. S. HART.

G. A. LARSON.

H. T. CURTIS.

OBITUARY.

STIFFLER.—Died at Winterset, Iowa, Aug. 5, 1898, of old age and complications connected with paralysis. Grandpa John Stiffler, aged 88 years, 7 months, and 16 days.

Grandpa Stiffler was born Dec. 19, 1809, in Bedford county, Pa. He was well known to many of our people in Iowa, and many will remember his presence at the State camp-meeting this year. He earnestly requested to be taken to camp-meeting once more, as he thought it would be his last, which it has truly proven to be; and he is laid away sooner than many of us thought, as his health was so much improved of late. Grandpa delighted to talk of the good camp-meeting he enjoyed, and he frequently spoke of that greater gathering of the people of God, soon to be called where there is no more sorrow nor death. He fell asleep in Jesus the night of the preparation day, Aug. 5, at about 3 A. M., after only a few days' illness. For many years and until the day of his death he was a devoted member of the S. D. Adventist church at Winterset, and is mourned by all. It will be remembered that his companion was laid to rest only five and one-half months before. They both received the truth by reading, and by the influence of their son Bro. Abraham Stiffler. To these sleeping saints were granted in their lifetime thirteen children, eight of whom survive. We long for the coming of our Lord who shall change our vile bodies, that they may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. We long for that "inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven" for us. "Come, Lord Jesus, come quickly," and bring immortal youth and pleasures forever more! Funeral services were conducted by the writer, at the house and the grave on Sabbath afternoon, Aug. 6. Words of comfort were spoken from 1 Cor. 15:26 and Rev. 14:13.

H. M. J. RICHARDS.

THE BOOK WORK.

**CANVASSING REPORT FOR THE WEEK
ENDING AUG. 5, 1898.**

PROPHECIES OF JESUS.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.
*H. G. Miller, Darbyville.....	101	9	\$19.50
Burton Church, Fern.....	31	5	8.75
C. E. Vosburg, Council Bluffs.....	33	7	14.00
F. G. Specht, Le Mars.....	31	3	5.25
H. L. Specht, ".....	34	7	12.75
D. G. Gaede, ".....	35	7	13.75
*D. P. Powell, Sioux City.....	30	13	34.50

THE COMING KING.

H. B. Tilden, Hedrick.....	20	2	\$2.00
Sarah Duerksen, Manchester.....	23	17	16.75
Dora Rasmussen, Sioux City.....	12	2	2.00
Christine Henriksen, ".....	15	2	2.00
S. B. Kephart, Stuart.....	33	10	10.50
Elsie Fulton, Chariton.....	18	2	2.00
Walter Johnson, Sigourney.....	10	1	1.50
A. Franklin French, ".....	10	3	3.00
Geo. Durkee, Winterset.....	3	1	1.00
J. S. Fry, Montezuma.....	22	8	8.00
Pearl D. Bascom, Manchester.....	25	10	9.75
Mary E. Hannah, Malvern.....	12	2	2.00
Emma Beaman, Des Moines.....	9	5	5.00
*E. A. Warner, Darbyville.....	105	44	44.50
E. A. Mitcheltree, Norwalk.....	13	3	3.00

GREAT CONTROVERSY.

Martin J. Fritz, Atkins.....	44	6	\$16.50
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STORY OF REDEMPTION.

Ethan A. Brown, Janesville.....	33	14	\$17.00
Belle Rowland, Sutherland.....	16	1	1.00
Laura A. Gilbert, St. Charles.....	1	1	1.00

DELIVERIES.

	Books.	Value.	Lost
Anna Duerksen.....	13	13.00	1
Nettie Gaede.....	5	5.00	3
Zettie Vosburg.....	3	3.00	0
Cathinka Henriksen.....	11	11.00	1
Chas. Murray.....	52	21.50	0
Martin J. Fritz.....	1	2.25	0
Sarah Duerksen.....	1	1.00	0
Christine Henriksen.....	3	3.00	1
Emma Beaman.....	1	1.00	0
E. A. Warner.....	3	3.00	0
Mrs. E. A. Mitcheltree.....	1	1.00	0
H. G. Miller.....	27	52.25	4
Burton Church.....	1	1.75	0
Laura A. Gilbert.....	7	7.00	0

SUMMARY.

No. of agents.....	26
" " orders.....	185
Value of ".....	\$246.50
" " helps sold.....	\$51.00
Total value.....	\$297.50
Value of deliveries.....	\$125.75

*Two weeks.

*Of the number of orders, seven were taken in the week ending July 22.

FROM THE CANVASSERS.

A. WALTER JOHNSON, SIGOURNEY: "The Lord has greatly blessed me the past two weeks. One day I canvassed a man and his wife who, although they liked the book, did not feel able to take it. So I left them without getting their order. While I was tying my horse on the opposite side of the road, the man called to me saying he wished to look at the book a little more. So I went back, and after talking a short time he gave me his order. I pray that the book will be a help to him in his search for the truth. I might relate one other experience. As I was

working among the coal miners, upon my arrival at one of the coal mining towns, I was told that the man controlling the place would let no one into the camp. But I felt sure that if the Lord wanted me to canvass there, he would open the way. I found that the man who had been in charge of the place had left, so I was not hindered. I secured six orders for 'Coming King' there. I am of good courage, and praise the Lord for opening the way before me."

F. G. SPECHT, LE MARS: "The people are all very busy, and worst of all they do not seem to care for this kind of reading, but want something more popular. But I am not discouraged; on the contrary, I can see that I am on the Lord's side, and have nothing to fear. I have tried to leave some reading matter in every house, and I know the Lord will bless it and the people who read it."

SUSAN AND MARY HASKELL, NORA SPRINGS: "The brethren of Osage have been very kind to us. We put our trust in the Lord, knowing he will take care of us and supply all our needs."

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

AN INTERESTING CONVENTION.

A JOINT convention of the Mt. Pleasant, Middletown, Denmark, and Burlington Sabbath schools was held at New London, July 31. The place of the gathering was at the park, the location of the tent, which was very suitable and pleasant for the occasion. Eld. C. A. Washburn and Bro. W. M. Adams and wife were there, to welcome the different schools, all arriving in good time.

Two sessions were held, the first at 10:30 A. M., W. M. Adams acting as chairman. The thought made most emphatic in the convention was the individual's responsibility and duty, which was brought out in different ways from the opening song of the program, "Call Them In," through the entire meeting. Prayer was offered by Bro. C. W. Smouse, after which the chairman spoke a few words on the object of these conventions, stating that it was for the development of the officers and workers in the Sabbath schools. After a song a scriptural exercise followed, so arranged as to be appropriate for all, from the infant to

the hoary head, revealing God's care over all his people.

Papers were then read and discussed. These contained many excellent points in reference to the Sabbath-school work, emphasizing particularly the thought that the existence, power, and progress of the school depend upon the effort of each individual, and not upon one or two persons alone. Each should do his part, seeking God for wisdom. Impressive points on reverence in the house of worship were also given. It is the place where God is to meet with his people, therefore we should enter with holy respect, and with reverence in manner, conduct, and appearance.

The secretary's work was taken up, and a very interesting point was brought out in regard to writing reports. As a rule they read thus: School opened by singing No.—, and closed by singing No —; whereas, if the title of the song were given, it would bring inspiring thoughts to the listeners, arresting their attention. This seemed to meet the approval of those present. School joined in singing "Beautiful Valley of Eden," which closed the first session.

The hour and a half at noon was very pleasantly spent by the social groups under the large shade trees, all having their lunch with them.

Promptly at 2 p. m. the second session opened with appropriate music and prayer. The reading of papers on the different subjects was continued. An important topic of the afternoon was "Punctuality and Regularity." These are very essential in the cause of God. Another was "The Teacher's Work." Those who teach should study the Great Teacher, and be able to teach Christ and live his life, otherwise the work will be a failure. 2 Tim. 2:24. "The Use of Illustrations" was presented. Christ in his teaching used the things in nature to simplify the spiritual truths; so we can use them with telling effect, not only for children, but the older ones also can be vividly impressed by their use. The kindergarten work was not overlooked, and the remark was made that "Our whole life and soul is nothing but a kindergarten work."

The papers were good, and the songs by the quartette and the children, added to the interest of the day. We feel that these conventions are profitable, and hope the teachings and instructions received will, by the help of God, be put into practice.

ALMA NELSON.

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—SMITHLAND Camp-meeting, Aug. 23—28, 1898.

—WAVERLY Camp-meeting, Sept. 13—18, 1898.

—THERE is a difference between "old paths" and "old ruts." Keep in the former; avoid the latter.—*Selected.*

—MRS. G. F. WATSON, who has been visiting her parents at Mt. Pleasant, has now gone to Colorado, to join her husband.

—ELD. P. A. HANSEN was in this city last week. He will visit churches in Eastern and Northern Iowa in the near future.

—"THE Christian soldier needs every part of the armor which God has provided, and he needs to wear all these parts constantly."

—ELD. O. A. JOHNSON, of Union College, is visiting some of the churches in Western Iowa. He will also attend the Smithland camp-meeting.

—ELD. CLARENCE SANTEE is now in Missouri assisting at a camp-meeting. Before returning to Iowa, he will also attend the camp-meeting at Forest, Ill.

—MISS RACHEL MCGEE, of Osceola, is in the city attending the Teachers' Normal School, now in session. She has been engaged to teach a school near Levey, this fall.

—BRO. J. W. DORCAS left Des Moines last Friday, expecting to spend Sabbath at Castana. He is this week preparing the grounds for the camp-meeting at Smithland.

—BRO. W. E. FREDERICK writes from Grundy Center: "We have been at this place over two weeks, and have a fair hearing and interest. Four ministers have been in attendance most of the time. We are anxious to get all the truth before them that we can."

—It is very important that our brethren and sisters appreciate the opportunities which the local camp-meetings afford them. We believe that it is pleasing to God for his people to make every effort to attend these meetings. We never needed so much of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit as we do now. Can those who are indifferent to the privileges these meetings afford, expect to remain away and yet share in the blessing? Come, for the Lord has a message for you.

—THE tracts constituting the "Tent Meeting Series" are designed especially for use in connection with tent meetings or other public gatherings, and are well calculated to deepen an interest in the topics presented. They are two-page leaflets, many of which are illustrated. There are thirty-two in the set, with the following titles: Our Sure Guide, The Interpretation is Sure, Four Great Monarchies, Do You Know? A True Picture of Our Time, What They Say About the Law, Who Changed the Sabbath? Interesting Tracts, Whose Testimony Will You Take? Questions and Queries, Some Things We Do Not Believe, Don't Try to Improve It, Why Do You Keep Sunday? Duty to Man, A Promise, A Good Promise, Plain Language, Be Not Deceived, Does God Mean What He Says? A Perversion of the Scriptures, Harmony of the Law and the Gospel, Will You Have Right to the Tree of Life? Does This Mean You? Have You a Carnal Mind? God's Call, The Hour of His Judgment Is Come, Are You Guilty? Behold I Come Quickly, An Invitation, A Neglected Book, Will You Stand Clear? A Warning. Price 10 cents per hundred, with good discount to our workers. We will send as many of each number as may be desired. Address Iowa Tract Society.

—THE BULLETIN seems to be especially appreciated by Iowa workers who are called to other fields of labor. Bro. S. A. Hill, now of Sioux Falls, S. Dak., writes: "It does me lots of good to read the BULLETIN. When it comes there is not much done by me until I have read it from beginning to end." He also says of his present work: "I enjoy the work here. God is opening up new phases of the work. I am rejoicing in his name and power, and am learning in his school every day."

—A QUIET wedding was celebrated the evening of Aug. 10, 1898, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Davis, of this city, uniting in marriage their daughter Effie I. Davis and J. M. Scholtz, Eld. E. H. Socwell, of Garwin, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Scholtz will reside near Levey, Iowa. The BULLETIN joins with other friends in extending best wishes.

—MISS LOUIE MCINTOSH writes to have her BULLETIN sent to York, Neb., where she is engaged in Bible work. She says, "The lines are fallen to me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage."

—MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS is at the Sanitarium at College View, Neb.

—MISS BERTHA WILLSON, of State Center, has been attending the Normal School at Nevada.

—BRO. AND SISTER J. W. MITCHEL-TREE, of Norwalk, made a short call at the Office last Wednesday.

—HEALTH foods may be procured at the provision stand in connection with the local camp-meetings.

—SISTER J. M. WALSH, of Mason, Neb., was called last week to this city, her former home, by the death of her brother.

—MISS NETTIE GAEDE, who has been canvassing in Muscatine, has gone to Clinton, where she will take medical treatment for a time.

—MISS JESSIE V. BOSWORTH, accompanied by her mother, drove to Boone last Thursday, for a short visit with relatives and friends.

—ELD. L. F. STARR is holding a few meetings at Boone, from which place he will go to Pilot Mound, and from thence to the Smithland camp-meeting.

—THE Sioux City society desires to renew their request for papers for rack use. Send prepaid to Mrs. Carrie H. Lindley, 1118 W. Nineteenth St., Sioux City, Iowa.

—TENTS at local camp-meetings will be rented as follows: 10x12, \$1.75; 12x14, \$2.00. Flys will be furnished with all tents except those which are new.

—ANY one wishing the new Union College Calendar may obtain one by sending a two-cent postage stamp, with address, to the Iowa Tract Society, 603 East 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

—SOMETIMES workers get tired and wearied. Jesus passed through the same experience, but for the joy that was set before him he worked on. For the same reason we can press forward. "The joy of the Lord is your strength."

WANTED—A HOME.

WE wish to correspond with any one who would be willing to give a home to a two-year-old, blind, motherless girl. The father, Bro. H. Rorholm, one of our Scandinavian workers, must find a home for her immediately. May God move upon some one to give this little child a place in his home. Please state the conditions upon which you can take the child. Address the undersigned at Cor. Ninth and Iowa Sts., Sioux City. H. R. JOHNSON.
N. C. BERGERSEN.