



Workers' Bulletin.

ISSUED WEEKLY BY THE

MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT
OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE,

DES MOINES, IOWA.

EDITORS:

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER - JESSIE V. BOSWORTH.
MRS. ADELLA HABENICHT, Assistant Editor.

TERMS: 25 CENTS A YEAR, IN ADVANCE.

QUESTIONS.

THE following questions remained unanswered at the close of the camp-meeting:—

1. Please explain why it is wrong to enforce Sabbath-keeping now, while in Nehemiah's time he did this. Neh. 13:19-21.

Ans.—I do not understand that Nehemiah compelled them to keep the Sabbath in the text referred to. They were there for the sole purpose of drawing God's children from the keeping of the Sabbath, and Nehemiah told them to go on about their own business. He did not compel them to keep the Sabbath. Since the time that Christ was upon the earth, civil government has not been committed to his "little flock."

2. Does the Lord mean that a man is as bad as a murderer if he hates his brother? 1 John 3:15.

Ans.—The text reads: "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him." Hatred in the heart drives out the Spirit of God. They can not dwell together. The first step then with hatred, is to bring death upon ones self, which is murder surely. If not confessed and forsaken, the seed of hatred will develop, as the Spirit of God has been driven out by its presence, until murder will be resorted to, if necessary, to attain the ends of selfish gratification. Uproot

the seeds, and you will be free from the murderer's path.

3. I do not understand the meaning of Luke 18:25: "For it is easier for a camel to go through a needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God." Does this refer to a man that has property?

Ans.—Christ answers the question himself in Mark 10:23-27. In verse 24 he explains, "How hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!" The Lord enjoins farther, "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God." 1 Tim. 6:17. Then it is not the number of dollars that we possess, but the danger is in putting our trust in them, instead of putting our trust in the Lord.

4. Can a person be saved who does not pay tithes? Why can he not be?

Ans.—The person who asks the question is convinced in his heart that there is but one answer. This is evident from the double question. But to the question: The Lord holds a man responsible for the light that he has caused to shine upon him. Some have not, as yet, seen the light upon tithing. To those who have had this light God says: "All the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's. It is holy unto the Lord. . . . and concerning the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, . . . the tenth shall be holy unto the Lord." Lev. 27: 30, 32. What does the Lord want of the tithe? "And behold I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for their service which they serve, even the service of the tabernacle of the congregation." Num. 18:21. This applies now, as the Lord says that the same provision is made for those who preach the gospel (1 Cor. 13:14), and Christ includes the

paying of tithes among the duties, or privileges, of a Christian. Matt. 23:23; Luke 11:42. God knew that many of the children of Levi were unworthy, but he did not leave the children of Israel to judge them. He reserved that to himself saying, "In the day when I visit, I will visit their sin upon them." He told Israel to pay the tithe faithfully, then they were clear. There may be those who preach the gospel to-day who are unworthy, but he still calls for the honest performance of our duty, and will hold us to account only for our own obedience or disobedience. God has a solemn settlement for the minister that dares to use the tithe while living in known sin. Then the question is one of common honesty between God and man. I hold a portion that is the Lord's. He requires it at my hand. I can know what and how much it is. Will I keep it or deliver it? Christ says, "Nor thieves, nor covetous. . . shall inherit the kingdom of God." 1 Cor. 6:10. Then, upon the authority of God's word, they who lightly regard the paying of the tithe can not hope to be saved.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR UNION COLLEGE.

THE winter term of Union College promises to be one of unusual interest. Many who could not be present at the first are planning to enter at that time. Special classes will be organized, and no matter what line of work the student desires to prepare for, he will find classes to suit his needs. Thorough, practical work is the order in every department this year, and the general expression is, "This is the best year in the history of Union College." This is just as it should be, and those who desire to enjoy these advantages are invited to join us in the work. More

than three hundred are already present, and a spirit of earnestness pervades every department of instruction.

There will be many special features during the winter term, that our young people cannot afford to miss. The work in the Special Training Classes will be of great interest and benefit to church and Sabbath-school officers and workers. Students will have the privilege of reviewing the common branches, entering Bible classes, or doing any line of college work under our most competent instructors. The district conference will bring together some of our leading ministers, whose instruction will be of much value to our people generally. Those planning to come, should send in their names as soon as possible, in order that arrangements may be made in time.

Remember, the term begins Dec. 13, and continues twelve weeks. If any can come before this time, it will be to their interest to do so. Write for the current number of the *Practical Educator*, the illustrated Year Book, or any special information. Address, W. T. Bland, College View, Neb.

A TESTIMONY FOR THE "SENTINEL".

THE following from one of our workers in California, will be of interest:—

"A few months ago, while I was laboring in Nevada, the president of a water supply company, who had been at one time very much prejudiced, said he had read the *Sentinel* for six months, and that it took the prejudice all out. After he had attended my series of meetings, I had the privilege of baptizing him into the faith. You sowed, under the blessing of God, the good seed, while I, under the same blessing, followed, and with a little effort harvested. May God bless the *Sentinel* in its good work."

"MY WEAK WAY."

WE often hear people speak of serving the Lord in their *weak* way. I believe if Adventists would accept the light that has been given us in regard to our manner of living, and discard the many unhealthful articles of food which a number of us are yet using, we would soon be in a condition to serve the Lord in a *strong* way.

E. B. EARLE.

I FIND nothing so singular in life as this, that everything opposing appears to lose its substance the moment one actually grapples with it.—*Hawthorne*.

FIELD REPORTS.

OTTUMWA.

OUR series of meetings with the tent at the above place closed the 15th inst., with a large number present at the last service, having continued a little over six weeks. A few scattered believers were found, who were encouraged by seeing that a respectable hearing could be given the message in Ottumwa. All the peculiar tenets of our faith were presented, much prejudice removed, and many friends gained to the truth. A large number were sufficiently convinced of the claims of the divine law, to publicly express their convictions, and their desire to have the meetings continue, promising that they would attend and aid in supporting. Only three took their stand with us at the time we closed, but others are hopefully interested in the truths brought to their attention.

Bro. W. M. Adams and wife remain to care for the work for a time. One interested family open their doors for Sabbath-school and meetings, until a building is secured. Bro. J. W. Damon has furnished a large number of *Signs* each week to readers in this city; and has done house to house work, assisting at our meetings when not hindered by ill health. Bro. Chas. Graham was with us nearly three weeks, but left to attend Union College and further prepare for service in the work. Bro. A. J. Iden assisted during the latter part of the meetings, and will visit the people at their homes with our reading matter.

This is a field where it seems to us that labor is not expended in vain. May the Lord bless in raising up a standard that will attract souls to the light of truth.

E. E. GARDNER.

DUBUQUE.

THE church here met to celebrate the ordinances Oct. 14. There was deep heart searching among those taking part, five of whom have been added since last quarter. The Spirit of God was present, not only as a comforter but as a reprover. As a company we realize that we are now in the shaking time, and that only those who are agonizing and pleading with God for help will be able to stand. While we are thankful to God for his creative and re creative power, which makes us, who were dead in trespasses and sins, new creatures in Christ Jesus, we praise him most of all for his keep-

ing power. Through the creative power in his word God called light out of darkness, and a world into existence. But if for one moment his keeping power should be removed, how long would this immense globe, "hung upon nothing," remain unmoved? So by the exceeding greatness of God's power, which he wrought in Christ when he raised him from the dead, he has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light; and when we are filled with all the fullness of God, he is able to keep us from falling, and to present us faultless before the throne of his glory; for greater is he that is in us than he that is in the world. The moment we let go of his keeping power, Satan triumphs; but self is the only power that can separate us from the love of God.

The eyes of the people of this city are now turned upon the little company of Sabbath-keepers as never before. More interest and confidence is shown in our work by those in high standing than at any time before in the history of the work in this place. One lady, who is a leader in all reform movements, told us last week that she wanted to pay one dollar per month on our church rent, as she had been watching our work, and believed we were working for the real spiritual advancement of the people. She had given this amount in time past to the Y. M. C. A.; but as they were turning their attention more to athletic sports, she had decided to invest that amount in our work. She has a friend whom she is going to try to induce to do the same. Another family pays this sum each month. The ladies of the church have been preparing a box of bedding for the Sanitarium. Mrs. Trenk, with whom my wife has held readings for some time, although not identifying herself with us as a people, has thrown her influence among her large circle of friends in favor of our work. She is much interested in the Sanitarium, and invested almost six dollars in bedding, etc., for our box. She is now planning to do more in the future, and is also soliciting among her friends in the interests of the Sanitarium. The presence of Sister Morton and Sister Pfaff is much appreciated. The Lord is prospering them in their bath-room work. This line of work was much needed, as there was nothing of the kind in this city before they came. We are still praying that a city mission may be opened here, believing that this would be a great

help. Brethren and sisters, remember us when you come before the Lord; for difficulties are increasing on every side. But where sin abounds, grace doth much more abound.

G. R. HAWKINS, *Elder.*

NORA SPRINGS.

Dear BULLETIN Readers: I write you a few lines to testify to my steadfastness in the truth, hoping to let my light shine to others. I attended the Charles City camp-meeting, and it was a grand meeting for me. I returned home with a greater determination to work for the Lord. Our little company here have earnestly resolved to do all we can. We opened our house two years ago for Sabbath-school; and now that our little company is still unable to rent a suitable room, our house is still open for the meetings. I will say in closing that I do appreciate our dear BULLETIN very much. It is a very welcome visitor. I wish all its readers the blessing of God abundantly.

Mrs. E. W. SCOVILL.

OBITUARY.

LAURITSON.—Died near Manchester, Iowa, Oct. 7, 1899, Mrs. Lottie J. Lauritson, aged 28 years, 3 months, and 6 days.

She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church at Des Moines, and died with a good hope of a part in the first resurrection. She leaves a husband, Bro. Chris. V. Lauritson, and one child, besides her father and brothers and sisters, to mourn. Funeral services conducted by Rev. Lush, Baptist. L. E. JUNE.

MORROW.—Died at the home of her mother six miles east of Birmingham, Van Buren Co. Iowa, Miss Callie Morrow, Oct 6, 1899, of typhoid fever.

Sister Callie gave her heart to God about two years previous to her decease, uniting shortly after with the Birmingham church of S. D. Adventists. The writer had the privilege of burying this young sister with her Lord in baptism, with four others,—her companions and neighbors, who had been in attendance at meetings held by Bro. Moody nearly two years ago. She chose the Master's service when health and long life seemed her fortune here. But how transient are all earth's pleasures! But little past nineteen years of age, her career this side eternity ended. About five hundred assembled at a country church near Douds, to listen to words of comfort to the bereaved family, and to show respect for one so unexpectedly taken away. E. E. GARDNER.

THE BOOK WORK.

FROM THE CANVASSERS.

BRO. A. J. IDEN has begun to canvass the city of Ottumwa for "Heralds of the Morning" and some of our smaller works, besides taking orders for the Signs. He writes thus of his experiences: "I find many who are deeply moved over the condition of the world at the present time, and I am sure that the Lord is moving upon the hearts of the people as never before. I want to be faithful in helping to warn the world of the coming crisis, just ahead. I need the prayers of God's people, that the Spirit may so impress the people that they can not resist buying these precious books." How many of those who read these lines daily remember in prayer our canvassers?

BRO. J. S. FRY, of Montezuma, writes: "This has been a good week for me. When I started out, I earnestly sought the Lord, and believed that he would help me and he did. Bless his name for putting me into the work. I want to stay there." Is not this the keynote to success?

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCT. 13, 1899.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val
THE COMING KING.			
Mary L. Haskell, Iowa City...	12	5	\$5.00
Cora Countryman, " "	14	4	4.00
Cora Quinn, Ames.....	21	5	5.00
Susan Haskell, Keokuk.....	11	5	5.00
Nettie E. Brown, " "	17	5	5.50
A. J. Scott, Centerville.....	9	12	12.00
Carl Rasmussen, Onawa.....	6	3	3.00
J. S. Fry, Montezuma.....	22	12	12.00
J. H. Wierst, Burlington.....	17	6	6.00

HERALDS OF THE MORNING.

Olive Lefave, Hawarden.....	21	11	\$13.75
-----------------------------	----	----	---------

DELIVERIES.

	Books.	Value.	Lost.
H. B. Tilden	100	\$100.00	4
*Susan Haskell.....	11	11.50	3
*Nettie Brown.....	7	7.00	3
Chas. A. Schultz.....	23	53.75	9
Edward Everett.....	14	24.35	1
P. W. Atkinson.....	25	31.10	0
Olive Lefave.....	5	6.25	0
J. S. Fry.....	10	10.00	0
A. J. Scott.....	32	32.00	3
Susan Haskell.....	1	1.00	0
J. H. Wierst.....	4	4.00	

SUMMARY.

No. of agents.....	14
" " orders.....	68
Value of ".....	\$71.25
" " helps sold.....	\$39.30
Total value.....	\$110.55
Value of deliveries.....	\$280.95
*Per Burton Church.	

Do not dare to live without some clear intention toward which your living shall be bent. Mean to be something with all your might.—Phillip Brooks.

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

COLUMBUS JUNCTION CAMP-MEETING SABBATH-SCHOOL. SEPT. 30, 1899.

THE school was called to order promptly at 9:15. To open the school, all joined in singing that beautiful hymn, "Father, We Come to Thee." Then followed an earnest petition by Eld. Santee, that God's richest blessing might rest upon the Sabbath-school. Again all voices joined in song, praising God for the privilege of meeting together in this place.

BRO. U. P. LONG conducted the review. Some of the important truths brought out were: That self should not be exalted or lifted up, but the Lord Jesus only; also that our mission in this world is the same as that of John the Baptist, preparing the way for Christ's coming. Some followed Jesus because of the loaves and fishes. What is our motive in following him?

BRO. MORRISON then presented to us our duty in regard to our means. Christ became poor for our sakes, and he is our example.

In the class recitation all seemed to manifest a deep interest in the blessed truths taught. In the lesson for the day was an example of faith and perseverance for us. Shall our cry be, Lord wilt thou also open our eyes, that we may behold "wondrous things out of thy law?"

NINETY-TWO were present, and we were glad to notice the hearty response to Eld. Morrison's appeal for funds for our needy missions. The donations amounted to \$8.67. Truly, the Lord was present with us by his Spirit.

Mrs. FLORA V. DORCAS, *Supt.*

ANNA McDONALD, *Sec.*

HOW TO STUDY THE SABBATH-SCHOOL LESSON.

EXTERNAL.—The book, its name, date, author, style, and important features
INTERNAL.—When? Chronology and connection. Where? Places,—their peculiarities, relations, and association. Who? Persons, characters, classes, names, titles, positions, histories. What? Words, terms, figures, things, actions, incidents, errors, truths. Why? Causes, motives, designs. Whence? Things implied, inferred, suggested, produced. Consult the Holy Spirit on bended knees and in meditation.—*Selected.*

Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, OCT. 24, 1899.

—BRO. HENRY JOHNSON, of the Ames tent company, spent last Sabbath with the Perry company.

—MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS, of this city, attended the Sabbath-school convention at Davis City, last Sabbath.

—ELD. J. W. ADAMS went to Atalissa, to conduct the quarterly meeting services there last Sabbath and Sunday.

—BRO. A. J. NELSON, of Exira, is one of the recent patients at the Sanitarium; and also Sister E. A. Miller, of Harlan.

—DR. R. H. HABENICHT was called to Charles City last week, on account of the illness of one of our brethren at that place.

—ELD. CLARENCE SANTEE spent part of the day last Tuesday at the Sanitarium. His counsel and words of encouragement were thankfully received.

—MRS. A. J. LAMB, of Creston, asks: "Will some of our brethren and sisters be so kind as to mail to us their periodicals, after reading them themselves, for use in our church school?"

—BRO. ARTHUR DWIER, having been connected for some time with the family of Bro. J. J. Strode, of Oklahoma, has returned to Des Moines, and is in attendance at the church school.

—MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER left this city last Tuesday night for Battle Creek, Mich., in response to a call from the General Conference, to consider matters connected with the missionary work.

—ONE of our isolated members, in sending in her report of work done, writes: "To the Lord be all the praise for what he wrought by my hand." Who can think that such a report savors of boasting? It is simply a tribute of praise to God.

—ANOTHER want is yet to be supplied for the Sanitarium. Fresh eggs are very much in demand, and not always easily obtained. Can any of our sisters supply this want by packing some to donate, or even furnish at wholesale prices?

—BULLETIN renewals have been received from Brighton, Modale, and Clarinda, with names of senders not given. Will the persons who have failed to sign their names please tell us who they are, so that we may give them due credit on our mailing list?

—ACCORDING to a recommendation of the General Conference, the fourth-Sabbath October missionary collection throughout the field goes to the assistance of the International Tract Society. All our churches, companies, and isolated Sabbath-keepers are asked to remember the date of this collection, Oct. 28. New and important enterprises are about to be entered upon, and the Society is greatly in need of funds, in order to carry forward the work the coming year. For support it is almost entirely dependent upon the October contribution; therefore, these should be liberal. May the Lord open the hearts of his people to respond to this, among the other calls for means.

—WE quote the following from a letter received this week from the President of Union College: "Our enrollment has reached three hundred eighteen, and new students are continually coming. We have a much larger number in the Home than in former years. Up to date seventy-one are enrolled from Iowa, and we expect that this number will be largely increased before the holidays."

—WE have received orders for nearly 5,000 copies of the World's Harvest number of the *Signs*, and the orders continue to come in daily. The prospects for a large circulation of this paper are favorable. Those who have not yet entered their orders should delay no longer. Terms: Single copy, 10 cents; five to twenty copies, 5 cents each; twenty-five or more, 4 cents each.

—ELD. E. E. GARDNER, with his two little boys, passed through Des Moines last week, on his way to Onawa, where he joins his wife, who had gone before to prepare to teach the church school there.

—THE trade edition of "Desire of Ages" is promised by the publishers Oct. 30. Prices: Cloth, \$1.50; full leather, round corners, \$2.00. Order of MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE.

—BRO. J. O. BEARD is at present in Marshalltown, the tent meetings at Clearfield having closed.

—MRS. L. A. BIERCE, of this city, is quite sick with typhoid fever.

NOTICE.

PLEASE remember that my permanent address is now College View, Neb.

C. F. STEVENS,

Treasurer Iowa Conf.

REPORT OF TITHES RECEIVED BY CONFERENCE TREASURER, FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 1899.

Adel	\$41.85	Libertyville	14.78
Alton	43.98	Mt. Pleasant.....	87.57
Algona	140.97	Monroe.....	41.85
Atalissa	7.96	Milford.....	99.13
Atlantic.....	33.12	Moravia.....	58.97
Audubon.....	34.27	Marshalltown.....	130.00
Albaton.....	14.90	Maquoketa.....	8.95
Alexander.....	17.00	Modale.....	233.72
Bonaparte.....	7.00	Massena.....	71.34
Blencoe.....	167.72	Macksburg Co.....	15.90
Beaman.....	42.35	Muscatine.....	79.70
Benton.....	22.30	Nevada.....	221.39
Burlington.....	73.22	Nelson.....	48.84
Bethlehem Co.....	62.25	Osceola.....	43.67
Brooklyn Co.....	14.35	Osage.....	18.12
Castana.....	11.98	Olin.....	19.44
Council Bluffs.....	125.11	Onawa.....	56.90
Coon Rapids.....	5.69	Parkersburg.....	118.76
Croton.....	8.56	Pilot Mound.....	90.57
Clarinda.....	5.00	Pulaski.....	44.80
Cedar Rapids.....	29.06	Perry.....	10.60
Davis City.....	13.03	Riverton.....	50.00
Des Moines.....	182.79	Ruthven.....	196.97
Delmar.....	9.86	Russell.....	30.30
Davenport.....	83.80	Storm Lake.....	40.56
Dubuque.....	53.37	Smithland.....	39.00
Dunlap.....	10.20	Sutherland Co.....	8.50
Elk Horn.....	81.40	Sigourney.....	33.50
Extra.....	120.14	Sandyville.....	28.60
Eureka.....	24.46	Sharpsburg.....	18.58
Eddyville.....	18.45	Sioux City.....	129.80
Fontanelle.....	45.90	Sheldon.....	15.44
Fairfield.....	40.30	Shelby.....	23.40
Forest City.....	9.25	Traer.....	74.81
Fostoria.....	4.00	Twin Oaks.....	8.82
Graettinger.....	69.64	Urbana.....	12.24
Grant City.....	118.10	Village Creek.....	10.88
Grinnell.....	51.77	Vinton Co.....	5.50
Glenwood.....	42.20	Waukon.....	12.00
Harlan.....	26.85	Waverly.....	11.32
Hawkeye.....	213.15	Winterset.....	52.91
Iowa City.....	24.23	Winthrop.....	25.00
Iowa Falls Co.....	4.20	Woodburn.....	56.15
Jacksonville.....	156.91	West Union.....	27.05
Knoxville.....	90.27	Weston.....	33.40
Kelley.....	14.84	West Grove.....	29.10
Lisbon.....	22.90	Wilton.....	13.59
Ladoga.....	33.80	Individuals.....	165.40
Total.....			\$5,084.22

C. F. STEVENS,

Treasurer Iowa Conf.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

FOR SALE.—One hundred Oxford Teachers' Bibles, at wholesale prices. On account of being overstocked, will sell these Bibles for the next 30 days at less than half the retail price. Send for descriptive price list at once.

Storm Lake, Iowa.

O. H. TYRRELL.

APPOINTMENTS.

PERRY, Oct. 28, 1899.
C. F. STEVENS.

GLENWOOD, Oct. 28, 29, 1899.
Council Bluffs, " 31, Nov. 1, "

The meeting at Glenwood will answer for the quarterly meeting. The friends there will please prepare to celebrate the ordinances. It is desired that the brethren at both places arrange the time for meetings to begin. Eld. C. Santee expects to be with me at these places.

C. A. WASHBURN.