



# Workers' Bulletin.

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## THE DECEMBER NUMBER OF "GOOD HEALTH."

FROM a letter by the Good Health Pub. Co., I quote the following:—

"The December issue of the *Good Health* is a Midwinter Number, and will be appropriate for circulation any month during the winter. We aim to make this a very important number. An interesting feature will be a series of illustrated articles relative to the treatment of diseases most common in winter. We will furnish you copies of this special number for distribution in your vicinity at five cents per copy, postpaid."

I believe that it would be a blessing to the sick around us, and to many who are taking a course that will soon cause sickness, if the brethren and sisters would distribute thousands of this number in Iowa. Brethren, let us push this branch of the work more vigorously, and there will be a blessing in it. Send orders to the MISSIONARY DEPT. OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

### IMPORTANT.

I HAVE received questions from different ones concerning blank certificates which were sent to them from "The Southern Missionary Society." I will insert here the following taken from the *New England Gleaner*. Eld.

H. W. Cottrell is well known, and the sentiments expressed are certainly reasonable and sound.

I am just in receipt of a sample blank certificate entitled, "The Southern Missionary Society," copies of which have been sent to almost all the New England churches. In this is an appeal for money to erect schoolhouses, church buildings, etc. I wish to suggest to the New England people, who have always been so loyal to recognize our General Conference organization, as well as local Conference organization, that there is already established by the General Conference a regular channel in which money may flow into the Southern field, and a regularly appointed executive board to care for, and also dispose of, the money thus donated. A. G. Adams, the treasurer of the General Conference, is treasurer of the Southern fund. Now that the system suggested in this certificate is entirely independent of the General Conference, and hence irregular in every sense, it will tend to confusion in the management of Conference work, breaking up all system. We do, therefore, suggest to all our churches who have secured money to be donated to the worthy enterprise of work in the Southern States, to send all your offerings through the regular channel—the Office of this Conference—and our treasurer will forward through the proper channel at Battle Creek, and thus we will maintain order and recognize organization in a practical sense.—H. W. Cottrell.

In Iowa send all money designed for the Southern field to the MISSIONARY DEPT. OF THE IOWA CONFERENCE, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

### FROM THE SOUTHERN FIELD AGAIN.

*Affectionate Greeting to All:* I have concluded to write oftener so as to consume less space. The BULLETIN is a welcome visitor. Often as I read it my eyesight grows dim, as I see the names of friends, but I am so happy to be here. You know where there is much sin, Christ doth much more abound. He never was so dear to me before as now.

Eld. S. Osborn was with us last Sabbath. The Lord blessed in the presentation of the word. In the afternoon three new Sabbath-keepers were baptized. These with Sister Schell-

berg, who had been baptized before, were taken into the church the previous Sabbath. Sister Schellberg was laid to rest last week. The dear Lord lengthened her days far beyond the expectation of friends. She was so happy in the truth, with her family. She desired to live to tell others the good news of the coming of the Lord, in which she greatly rejoiced; but she was perfectly resigned to the will of the Lord. In all her suffering not a murmur was heard. Almost her last words were, "I think when I get some sleep I shall be better to-morrow." And so she will; for she fell asleep never to awake until that "glad morrow when the King shall claim his own." She was a friend to the needy, and was loved by all. I learned to love her much. She sleeps in Jesus.

The Lord is greatly blessing the canvassers. Father Brown in a few days has sold over five hundred copies of the special *Signs*, besides many books. The people often come to him for them, and he has precious experiences. I have the names of many persons who wish Bible readings, as the result of the *Signs* placed in their homes. I can not fill all the calls; my heart aches as I see souls dying for the Bread of Life. May every soul in Iowa work while the day lasts; soon the night cometh, when it will be too late.

The following letter was received a few weeks ago from Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Patterson, Des Moines, Iowa:—

*Dear Sister:* Thinking perhaps you could use a little money in your work, especially as winter is drawing near, we send you a draft for \$25.00, to be used for the salvation of souls."

By the Lord's help every penny shall be used for the salvation of souls. Ten copies of the *Signs* have been paid for and used by a colored sister. She now has more than

thirty families interested, and is busy holding Bible readings. Bro. H. Carmichael, of Iowa, is canvassing across the river. He meets with us on Sabbath. Bro. J. Webber, of Iowa, is also canvassing here. Eld. Smith Sharp expects to be with us during the week of prayer. I expect with others to attend the district meeting held at Graysville, Tenn., Jan. 4-14, and will write you next time from there.

MOLLIE R. LONG,

441 E. Gray St., Louisville, Ky.

#### THE DEATH PENALTY FOR SABBATH (SUNDAY) DESECRATION.

"WE sometimes think the Pilgrim Fathers were too severe in their legislation against immorality. There was a law in the colonial statutes of New England that for flagrant violation of the Sabbath the offender should be hung. We may say this was wrong; but, let me ask, Were they nearer or farther from the moral law as interpreted by the Mosaic legislation than we are? Under the Mosaic law a man guilty of idolatry and Sabbath breaking was to be executed; and I apprehend that we ought to return to that order of things to-day, and execute the penalty for the violation of moral law. A man who openly and violently blasphemes the name of God has forfeited his right to live under the God whose law he has broken."

Thus spoke the Rev. J. M. Foster, of Boston, Mass., at a recent session of the National Reform convention, held in New York City, and his utterance was received without a word or sign of dissent, and the conclusion of his address was followed by a burst of applause.

Brethren and sisters, do we not need to stir ourselves? Is not the need of consecrated work along *Sentinel* lines imperative? Legislatures, National and State, will soon be in session, and delegations of zealous but misguided men are impatiently waiting to press upon our law-makers the need of legislation to compel men in matters pertaining only to the individual and his God. Will you not, dear reader, see to it that a telling work is done for the *Sentinel* in your community? Weigh the above statement in the light of prophecy; read the whole proceedings as recorded in December 14 issue of the *Sentinel*, and may the Lord place upon you a burden for this branch of the work that will tell to the glory of God and the salvation of men.

Yours faithfully,

AMERICAN SENTINEL.

#### NOTICE.

THE *Medical Missionary and Gospel of Health* have been combined into one magazine, which will be published monthly at fifty cents a year. The consolidated paper will contain a good assortment of articles from our best writers, on health subjects; such as, Dr. Kellogg, Dr. Waggoner, Dr. Kress, Dr. Paulson, etc. It will also present each month condensed reports from medical missionaries in the field, and the experiences of nurses and patients at our sanitariums and medical missions. Special attention will be given to the matter of instructing our people in the elements of medical missionary work. Brief suggestive articles, fully illustrated, showing how to give baths of various kinds and other simple treatments, will be furnished by our most experienced physicians. The inquiry column, open to all subscribers, will be a source of valuable information, medical and otherwise. The department of "Our Missionary Sanitariums" will keep you posted with reference to the doings of our large army of doctors and nurses.

The publishers desire the help of all of the friends of the message in circulating this new paper. A sample copy will be sent free to any reader of the *WORKERS' BULLETIN*. Examine it for yourself and show it to your neighbors. We want at least one earnest, prayerful, persistent worker in every church. Full instructions furnished on request. MEDICAL MISSIONARY,  
*Battle Creek, Mich.*

#### THE WORLD'S HARVEST "SIGNS."

Don't think it too late to circulate it. Now is the best time; as the date is in December, it is current at least until January. The truths it contains will always be timely. One canvasser, who with his party has sold 3,820 copies, says, "It will sell for months yet." Words of praise for the paper are abundant. Everybody likes it and receives it with thanks. "It is a timely issue;" "Best paper ever issued;" "Papers all gone; send more;" "I find no trouble to sell the paper at the price,—ten cents;" etc., are a few of the many such expressions we hear. The supply will not be exhausted. The presses are still running on it, and will continue to run as long as there is a demand. Order now, and set these timely truths before the people.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

#### FIELD REPORTS.

##### SIoux CITY MISSION.

It has now been a month since I connected with this mission, and it has been a very busy time for the workers here. Our time has been quite fully occupied in making some changes in the building, and in arranging for the winter's campaign, so that we have not had as much time to devote to the spiritual part of the work as we would like. During the month we have lodged 662, served 800 penny lunches, given 70 baths, held 20 Bible readings, made 65 visits, sold 50 Harvest Numbers of the *Signs*, given away 25 papers, made 32 calls, and donated \$1.05.

Bro. J. M. Whitney, of Nevada, kindly sent us three sacks of beans; and Bro. Hamren, who lives near here, brought us one sack. We also received a barrel of clothing shipped from Rodney. If there are others who have beans to spare, we shall be glad to receive several more sacks full. As we have quite a large family of workers connected with the mission this winter, our expenses are heavy. The workers are kindly received as they go from house to house in their work, and are quite frequently offered clothing for the poor, etc.

J. W. DORCAS, Supt.,

310 Jennings St.

##### LIBERTYVILLE.

WE as a company are receiving much of the blessing of God. It seems as though each prayer meeting is more interesting, and draws us nearer our blessed Saviour, than the one before. The attendance is very good; no complaints, only praises are heard. Our Sabbath-school and Sabbath meetings are also well attended and equally interesting.

We think the week of prayer Readings are better than any we have had for that purpose before. We do not know that there will be any one with us during the week of prayer; but that doesn't make any difference. We know that the Captain of our company, Jesus our Saviour, will be with us. He is always present and never tardy. Praise his holy name! We know that the signs of the final sign are abundant; and it is the prayer of each honest one that we may be awake and realize the times in which we are living, and take hold of our part of the work

more earnestly than ever before. Truly now is the time for character building. Let us pray that there may be no delay in this preparation, but that each character will have been formed and purified by obedience to the truth, until each one will be ready for translation. What a glorious moment for God's people!

A. ELLONA BEDWELL.

STORY CITY.

We have rented a hall in the eastern part of town, and are holding a series of meetings. Our tent meetings were held in the south-western part, and now we will give the people in this portion of the town an opportunity to hear. We expect to follow Paul's example as recorded in Acts 20:20, 21, 26, teaching "publicly, and from house to house," that we may be "pure from the blood of all men." Some meetings have been held about five miles south of here, but the rain and snow have hindered of late. We are still scattering a great many tracts and papers. Our Sabbath meetings are good, and the Spirit of God comes very near.

N. C. BERGERSEN.

PETER LINDAHL.

THE BOOK WORK.

THE CANVASSING WORK.

"THIS work has not of late had the spirit and life infused into it by the leading agents that once made it a specialty. Pains-taking effort is required; instruction must be given; a sense of the importance of the work must be kept before the workers; all must cherish the spirit of self-denial and self-sacrifice that has been exemplified in the life of our Redeemer." In view of the Testimony just quoted, we will strive to make our school this winter all it should be, and we hope to have a goodly number of earnest young men and women in attendance.

"A great work is to be done in our world, and the human agencies will surely respond to the demand. And all the requisite talent, courage, perseverance, faith, and tact will come as they put the armor on." Do not wait for something to turn up; but let us each one step into the ranks, receive the preparation the Lord has for us, and God will supply the lack. "The world must hear this warning. When the call comes, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' send back

the answer clear and distinct, 'Here am I; send me.'"

I would indeed be pleased to hear from those that are so situated that they can work for the Lord; for, brethren, we must awake to the situation. Think of the millions who know nothing of this truth. The way to get into the work is to step into the first place that opens; and then after we have learned the lessons there the Lord has for us, if he wants us some place else he will know right where to find us. We realize that the canvassing work is a hard work, but a living can be made at it if we are persevering and faithful.

Why is it that we do not have more young men and women who are willing to make the Lord's work and the advancing of the truths for this time their life work, and put the energy, tact, and ability into it that will make it a success? O, brethren, let us awake to the situation, and do all with our means, our talents, and our lives that possibly can be done; and as we work, "the Lord co-operates with the self-denying human workers. His own mind, his own Spirit, is communicated to them."

W. L. MANFULL.

OUR canvassers especially will regret to learn of the illness of Miss Nettie Brown, who is suffering from an attack of typhoid fever. She was brought to the Sanitarium last week from Keokuk, and under the good care and treatment received here is doing well.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING DEC. 8, 1899.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
<b>THE COMING KING.</b>				
Mrs. H. B. Tilden.....	12	2	\$2.00	\$1.00
P. W. Atkinson.....	39	7	7.00	.25
Burton Church.....	23	4	4.00	2.00
Oscar N. Conklin.....		6	0.50	1.00
<b>HERALDS OF THE MORNING.</b>				
Sarah Eernisse.....	10	1	\$1.50	\$2.75
S. B. Lee.....	35	11	15.00	.50
Olive Lefave.....	24	9	11.25	2.50
<b>DANIEL AND REVELATION AND COMING KING.</b>				
Edward Everett.....	6	2	\$4.50	\$ .60
<b>MISCELLANEOUS.</b>				
A. J. Iden.....	17	19	\$18.90	
H. F. Lamb.....	23	18	\$42.45	
<b>DELIVERIES.</b>				
	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
H. B. Tilden.....	74	\$74.00	\$12.40	1
Cora Quinn.....	6	0.00	3.50	2
Burton Church.....	1	1.00		0
Cora M. Davis.....	26	26.00	12.50	7
Edward Everett.....	4	7.75		0
H. F. Lamb.....	26	38.05		0
<b>SUMMARY.</b>				
No. of agents.....				13
" " orders.....				79
Value of.....			\$113.10	
" " helps sold.....			\$39.00	
Total value.....			\$152.00	
Value of deliveries.....			\$152.80	

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

BIRTHDAY OFFERINGS AND DONATIONS TO OAKWOOD SCHOOL.

HARLAN, 70 cents; Olive Berger, 19 cents; Johnnie Berger, 7 cents; Iva Holmes, 11 cents; Storm Lake, \$1.33; C. A. Dorcas, \$1.00; D. Andre, \$1.00; Andy Trimbald, 50 cents; John Olsen, 20 cents; Ella Young, 29 cents; Lizzie Mitchell, 50 cents; Gracie Mitchell, 25 cents; Willard Mitchell, 25 cents; F. J. Dunn, 42 cents; Mrs. F. J. Dunn, 35 cents; Fay Dunn, 17 cents; Cora Dunn, 13 cents; Ora Dunn, 8 cents; Willie Ayers, 12 cents; Myr Bopp, 10 cents; Lottie Durfey, 25 cents; Geo. Durfey, 25 cents; Oma Durfey, 5 cents; A. A. Bopp, 44 cents; Mrs. A. A. Bopp, 25 cents; Zella Means, 17 cents; Sarah Means, 36 cents; Silas Strite, 25 cents; Shelby, 45 cents; S. A. Fitch, 10 cents; Willard Cox, 10 cents; Sigourney, 69 cents; Charlie Nelson, 9 cents; Sylvia Nelson, 7 cents; Louisa Barber, 62 cents; Alice Barber, 50 cents; Etta Barber, 13 cents; Tom Barber, 12 cents; Ned Barber, 10 cents; Beatrice Barber, 8 cents; Nellie Barber, 30 cents; G. W. Hoskins, 51 cents; Jane Hoskins, 50 cents; Mercy Kinney, 43 cents; Mrs. Van Dorn, \$1.00; Florence Van Dorn, 2 cents; Tom Porter, 25 cents; A. J. Areman, 50 cents; Earl Areman, 25 cents; Arilla Areman, 55 cents; Hannah Smith, 25 cents; Martha Newton, 75 cents; Nevada, 29 cents; Libertyville, 41 cents; Atalissa, 45 cents; Sioux City, \$2.68; Bro. Koenig, 46 cents; Mrs. Korgan, Nellie and Louisa Korgan, \$1.00; Urbana, 11 cents; Mrs. Mary Griswold, 52 cents; Alvan Griswold, 57 cents; Tillie Barton, 29 cents; Clarence Barton, 1 cent; Anna Griswold, 16 cents; Mrs. L. W. Beardsley, 28 cents; Bluff Creek, \$3.55; C. E. Means, 21 cents.

For the benefit of those especially who may wish to refer to the "Bible Lesson in Figures" in BULLETIN of Nov. 21, two corrections should be made: The word *Lord* appears 1,855 times instead of 1,885 times; the shortest verse is found in John 11:35 instead of John 11:25.

"It is only when brought under the full control of the Spirit of God that the talents of an individual are rendered useful to the fullest extent."—*Special Testimonies, No. 3, p. 23.*

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DES MOINES, IOWA, DEC. 19, 1899.

—REMEMBER the week of prayer, December 23-30.

—"FAITHFUL Watchmen" No. 2 will appear next week.

—MRS. NELLIE LAW is visiting friends in Des Moines.

—THE Conference Committee met in council last Tuesday and Wednesday.

—MRS. JENNIE AKINS, of Valeria, is visiting her brother, Eld. J. W. Adams, and family, in this city.

—BRO. WM. JOHNSON stopped off at Des Moines last week, while on his way from Jobs to Marshalltown.

—MISS MARTHA YOUNG, who has charge of the church school at Sandyville, spent the Sabbath in Des Moines.

—WE are now ready to fill orders for the new edition of "Desire of Ages." Prices: Cloth, \$1.50; Russia, \$2.00; Library, \$2.00.

—BRO. AND SISTER F. L. MOODY and daughter Flossie returned to their home last week. Flossie is now able to use her limb again somewhat.

—ELDS. J. W. ADAMS and C. F. STEVENS are visiting churches in Southern Iowa. Mt. Pleasant is on their list of appointments for this week.

—MRS. J. J. STRODE, now of Shaner, Oklahoma Ty., is anxious to interest the people in religious reading. Those who can send her papers and tracts may be assured that these will be judiciously used.

—IN a letter received from Bro. J. J. Welton, of Centerville, he says that they have been busy holding Bible readings and prayer meetings, and that three are keeping the Sabbath as a result of the readings.

—MRS. L. A. BIERCE, of this city, is visiting her brother in Illinois. Her husband, who has had very poor health for several years, and whom we mentioned as having been baptized a few weeks ago, died Dec. 2, rejoicing in the blessed hope.

—MISS LOUISE VAN WINKLE, of the Battle Creek Sanitarium, is at home in Stuart for a short visit. She expects soon to go to Davenport, where she will assist in the School of Health now being conducted there by a corps of Sanitarium workers.

—BRO. JENS C. JENSEN and Ida M. Hanson, of Weston, were united in marriage at the home of Bro. Soren Hanson, Dec. 12, 1899, Eld. E. E. Gardner officiating. Both of these young people are members of the Weston church, the bride superintendent of the Sabbath-school. Our good wishes go with them, as they unite their efforts for the upbuilding of the church and Sabbath-school interests in their community.

—ELD. LUTHER WARREN is conducting a series of weekly meetings at Council Bluffs. The subjects are announced by small folders, which are liberally distributed in the business part of the city. As a result of this effort to attract the attention of the people, the large hall where they meet is quite well filled. We hope for a more extended report of these meetings as the interest develops.

—THE workers at Charles City are about to open an evening reading room for the benefit of the laboring men there, of which there are quite a large number. Clean copies of the *Review*, *Signs*, *Instructor*, *Life Boat*, etc., will be very acceptable. Some German reading matter can also be used. Address Eld. L. F. Trubey, box 1104, Charles City, Iowa.

—A FOUR-PAGE leaflet has just been issued by the I. R. L. Association entitled "Sunday Laws and Sunday Closing." It answers in a concise form some of the leading arguments in favor of religious legislation. Price, 25 cents per hundred. Order from I. R. L. Association, 750 Monon Building, Chicago, Ill.

—SINCE his return to our State Eld. L. F. Starr has been laboring, as his health would permit, among the churches in South-western Iowa. He was with the church at Harlan last week, and expected to go from there to Shelby. He is gradually gaining in strength, and hopes to regain his usual vigor.

—THOSE wishing copies of the *Sentinel* for December 14, referred to in an article from the publishers, can obtain them at one cent per copy in lots of 15 or more; at two cents per copy when a less number are ordered.

—THE new edition of "Daniel and the Revelation" in cloth binding, which retails for \$1.00, is for sale at this Office.

—ANYONE desiring one or more of the week of prayer Readings can be supplied by writing to this Office.

—"THOUGHTS ON DANIEL" in the paper binding will be sent postpaid for 25 cents. There may be those who have not been able to subscribe for the *Berean Library* who would like to take advantage of the above offer. Address MISSIONARY DEPT. IOWA CONFERENCE.

## HOME WANTED.

If there is a family that would be willing to take a child a few months old to train up in present truth, I would be pleased to hear from them. It seems hard to put a little child in a family that does not "keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." Address me at 201 N. 4th St., Marshalltown, Iowa.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

## APPOINTMENTS.

PARKERSBURG, Dec. 20-25, 1899.  
P. A. HANSEN.

ELD. L. F. STARR will begin meetings at Grant City Dec. 27, to continue as the interest demands.

THE Lord willing, I will be at  
Davis City, Dec. 21-24, 1899,  
Benton, " 25, 26, "  
Sharps, " 27-30, "  
F. L. MOODY.

I HOPE to meet with the following churches during the week of prayer:—  
Muscatine, Dec. 23-26, 1899.  
Burlington, " 27-30, "  
B. E. FULLMER.

ELD. H. NICOLA will meet with churches during the week of prayer as follows:—

Davenport, Dec. 22-25, 1899.  
Atalissa, " 26-30, "  
CLARENCE SANTEE.

No preventing providence, I will meet with churches during the week of prayer as follows:—

Sheldon, Dec. 23-26, 1899.  
Hartley, " 27-30, "  
THOS. H. JEYS.

## QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

DES MOINES, Jan. 7, 1900.  
All absent members are requested to report by letter.

C. H. PARSONS, *Elder*.

THE Lord willing, I will meet with the Pilot Mound church Dec. 30 and 31. If the brethren can arrange, we will hold the quarterly meeting at that time. Shall be glad to see all that are near that place at the meetings. They will be the closing meetings of the year.  
CLARENCE SANTEE.