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### QUESTIONS.

THE question has come to me from some who desire to see the work accomplishing all that it is possible for it to accomplish: "Why do you not employ unconverted persons in the nurses' class at the Sanitarium? The reason given why this would be desirable is that it would be a means of converting them to the truth. I am certain that those believing this have not considered it in all its phases.

1. When they become members of the class they become employees of the Conference. And if a person of another denomination would be received, he must be able to furnish a recommendation from reliable sources, testifying of true conversion and a good religious experience. 2. The nurses' class is a class of missionaries who are there to labor for God among the sick. How can an unconverted nurse point a soul to God, either by word or action? 3. Satan would take immediate advantage of this liberty, in many instances, by sending in those who instead of being converted themselves would turn devoted souls in the class away from Christ. 4. Worldlings would be under employ, receiving pay from the Conference to do Christ's work. 5. Consecrated souls, desiring to get the instruction that would fit them to do better work for God, would be shut out for want of room. 6. The power of the enemy is now turned against these

institutions, to cause the truly converted workers to become indifferent, careless, and lukewarm, in the service of the Lord, and thus they be able to alleviate only physical suffering, while the soul of the patient is perchance lost because of the almost broken connection of the nurse with God. We are now in the time when thorough system and order must be maintained among workers and all who come near before God, or the spirit of the message will be lost.

God has said that this health work is a part of the third angel's message; and if so, we can all see whom the Lord calls, or accepts, to carry this sacred work. The Lord did not say to Isaiah, "Go," until the coal had touched his lips, and his sins were pardoned. Of the righteous the Lord says, "I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me;" while of the wicked he saith, "Who hath required this at your hand to tread my courts?"

We are in the time of unparalleled temptation and danger. Satan desires to connect with the child of God in every line of the work, and assist it along. But if the people of God heed the counsel which he gives, they will not only save themselves, but also "them that hear thee."

CLARENCE SANTEE.

### NEWS FROM SOUTH AFRICA.

We have the opportunity of quoting the following from a letter written Feb. 27, from Kimberley, South Africa, by Bro. J. V. Willson to his brother Lewis Willson. The letter is all of interest, but space will permit only extracts:—

"October 14 the Boers besieged the place and cut off all communication, since which time we have neither received nor sent away any mail until now. We had a siege of one hundred

twenty-four days, with cannons great and small playing on us every day but Sundays. It has been an awful time! The great one-hundred-pound shells shrieking over our heads and striking all around us, tearing things to pieces, and slaughtering men, women, and children. We feel grateful to our heavenly Father for his wonderful care for us during this trying time. A shell struck our business office November 14 at 1:15 p. m., while we were eating dinner in the next room. When the air became clear, I found a scene of havoc. The office desk was blown to pieces, and the back of my office chair shot away. Seven fragments of shell had passed through the writing desk, three through the cash box, two through the waste-paper can, and seventy-two holes had been made through the walls and ceiling. If Sara and I had been there, we would have been literally torn to fragments. On the 9th of February another shell struck our home. We stood in front of the door, and heard the awful screech of the deadly missile come close to our heads. It struck a room where a refugee family, a mother with three children, had been living, but who had gone that morning to a place of safety. This shell exploded, destroying the furniture in the room, and throwing up a cloud of red dust like an earthquake. Another one-hundred-pound shell, a shrapnell, struck the same room, and entered the same hole (a very unusual thing) three days later, this time blowing out the side wall. We were about fifteen feet from it. I tell you it was *impressive*! I have had enough to last me all my life of *such*. One day a shell entered the room which Sara had left but a few minutes before, and a piece of the shell went through the letter she had been writing. A shell exploded just

behind Floy one day as she was coming home on her wheel. The people built small forts in their yards, called splinter proofs. When the Boer cannon went off, a red flag on the tower would wave, a bugle sound, and then the people would dive for the bomb-proof forts. As soon as the shell struck, they would come out again. We could see the smoke of the gun long before the report reached us. For a few nights many of the people went down into the mines fourteen hundred feet below the surface. I foresaw the siege coming on, and laid in a large stock of provisions,—beans, flour, condensed milk, dried fruit, nuts, etc., which saved us and hundreds of others much suffering. Some told us that we saved lives by furnishing food. We also made a snug sum for the Home selling soup, garden vegetables, etc. We have done well in our bath-room work, making as high as \$15.00 a day. The inhabitants lived on horse-flesh soup and boiled corn for weeks. A military permit had to be obtained before one could buy a loaf of bread or anything, and people crowded so to get permits that women have been crushed to death. Our water supply was cut off, and all we have had was what was pumped from a spring in one of the mines. I have lived mostly on crushed mealies,—what they call samp in America. Sara is somewhat run down, but Floy and I are in fair flesh. We have learned something of what it means to be pilgrims and sojourners; but hope these experiences will serve to loosen our hold on earthly ties, and enable us to prize the true riches."

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"LET'S PRAY AS WE RUN."

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Two little girls were on their way to Sunday-school. It was late, and they were afraid of receiving a tardy mark. As they ran on as fast as their little limbs could carry them, the one said, "Oh, sister, we'll be late. Let's stop and pray." The other replied, "Oh, no, don't stop; we'll pray as we run."

What a lesson for us is contained in those few words, "Pray as we run"! Are we weary? Are we discouraged? Does the way seem dark and full of trials? Let us not stop. There's nothing to gain and everything to lose by stopping. "Let's pray as we run."  
—Selected.

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"EVERY sin is an avenger on the track of the man who commits it."

## FIELD REPORTS.

### PARKERSBURG.

SABBATH and Sunday, April 7 and 8, it was my privilege to be with the Parkersburg church. It was indeed a privilege, as I had never met with these brethren at their home church before. The quarterly meeting was held, and I feel certain that all felt the refreshing of God's Spirit. At the close of the meeting at 11 A. M., Sabbath, two signified their desire to be identified with God's commandment-keeping people, by rising to their feet. At the close of the evening service, two more, strong young men, united with us in the same way. These four were baptized Sunday afternoon, and all were unanimously received into the church. Two members were also re-baptized. One, an old brother seventy six years of age, had been baptized in the First-day Adventist church years ago, but he felt that he must now go forward and be baptized in the message. He received a rich blessing, and came up out of the water praising God. There were other young people who felt deeply the call of the Spirit, and were moved to weeping, but who waited. May the Lord bless them with willing hearts now, while the heart can be made tender, and while the whole life can be changed. CLARENCE SANTEE.

### DUBUQUE.

ON our return from the District Conference we found the interest increasing. Several said they could hardly wait till we came back, to continue the readings, which they had learned to love so well. The meetings were continued in our absence; and people who attended were astonished to find those who had studied the Bible so short a time, able to conduct services so well.

One lady with whom we have read for some time, having become convinced of the truth, has manifested a missionary spirit by sending all her tracts, papers, etc., to a friend who is teaching school in Minnesota. A few weeks ago this teacher came to spend her vacation with her friend, and arrangements were made at once to hold readings with her every day and night that she could spare during her two weeks' visit. She kept the last Sabbath that she was here. She had been on probation for some two years in the M. E. church, and they

had urged her many times to be sprinkled and taken into full membership; but the Lord had kept her from it. She said, "O how happy and thankful I am." She returned home to give the message to her people, taking "Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation" with her. Five others kept the same Sabbath for the first time. Thus we see the good work going on, and to the Lord be all the praise; for it is wonderful how he is blessing his work in this place. There are three more with whom we are just finishing reading. One of the ladies told one of her friends that there would be but one family in heaven, and they would be Jews, and that she was going to become a Jew, and did not care what people said; for she was going to enter the kingdom of heaven. We are anxiously waiting to see them take their stand for the truth.

The preachers are denouncing us publicly and privately, but this is only advertising our work; for they can do nothing against the truth but for it. We celebrated the ordinances last Sabbath, and the Lord came very near. All seemed to realize the presence of the Holy One. We are expecting to have baptism soon. We have from three to thirty-five at our readings, and no one comes through curiosity. Some nights we spend two hours reading and answering questions. Our prayer is that not one thread of self may mar the work.

G. R. HAWKINS,

MRS. EMMA HAWKINS.

### MORAVIA.

THE Moravia church held quarterly meeting service at Darbyville, Sabbath, April 7. A large number of the members were present, and a good interest was manifested. Eld. Everhart was with us, and talked to us about how careful we should be lest we be deceived in the coming of Christ. He warned us to watch and be ready, and have our lamps trimmed and brightly burning,—not as the foolish virgins, but as the wise. Some of our members live too far away to attend our meetings. Others of our members have been called to work in Christ's vineyard. But we are truly thankful that God's Holy Spirit, the Comforter, is everywhere present to guide those who fear and trust him. "The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him." Ps. 34:7. "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." John 14:14. So we

know that our heavenly Father will guide us aright if we ask him, and we will be at last greeted by the words, "Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world," and reign with Christ in that beautiful home forever.

LINNIE WELTON, *Clerk.*

OBITUARY.

TAYLOR.—Died at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, April 8, 1900. Bro. Wm Taylor, aged 43 years, 3 months, and 27 days.

His death was caused by a tumor on the brain. He was a patient sufferer, never murmuring, leaving himself and family in the hands of God. He accepted the truths as taught by Seventh-day Adventists in the year 1844, and joined the Mt. Pleasant church. He was faithful to his post of duty, and was an earnest Christian to the day of his death. His dear wife and daughters Ethel, Letha, and little Mabel mourn. Yet *hope* did not end when he fell asleep; for he fell asleep in Jesus and the Christian's *hope* cheers and comforts the sorrowing ones.

W. M. ADAMS.

FROST.—Died near Tingley, Iowa, Feb. 27, 1900. Alvin E. Frost, third son of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Frost, aged 19 years, 2 months, and 16 days.

Alvin was converted and embraced the truth in the fall of 1898. He was baptized the following spring at our State camp-meeting. His mother embraced the third angel's message about twenty-four years ago, and with the *Review* as her only preacher has stood firm. Alvin's life from his conversion testified to the truth. He lived a consistent Christian unto death. His only desire for life was that he might work for the Lord. Last summer, while preparing to enter Union College, he was taken sick with consumption; and although all was done for him that our Sanitariums at College View and Boulder could do, the disease soon did its work. He left a father, mother, and small brother, to mourn. The hand of affliction has rested heavily upon these dear parents, but it has been working out "the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them." This is the fourth child they have laid to rest after rearing to manhood and womanhood. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Eccl. 7:2. We then laid our brother away, to rest until the Life Giver shall come to call forth his sleeping saints.

"Blest be the sorrow, kind the storm,  
Which drives us nearer home."

C. T. ADAMS.

THE BOOK WORK.

FROM THE CANVASSERS.

J. P. GAEDE, CHARLES CITY: "I am thankful that I had the privilege of attending Union College all winter, and feel that I am better prepared for the canvassing work. I reached Des Moines in time to attend the last day of the school there, and realized that the Spirit of the Lord was present in a large measure. I desire to be faithful, and bring many souls to Jesus. May the Lord bless the canvassing work in Iowa."

O. C. MARKEL, IOWA CITY: "I thank the Lord that I had the privilege of attending the canvassers' school. I know that the Spirit of the Lord was there. I received instruction that will be of benefit to me in the vineyard. This is the Lord's work; and what is the reason that more are not engaged in it?"

ARTHUR RHOADS, CHARLES CITY: "I have more confidence in the canvassing work every day. Remember us in your prayers."

"PAUL was never humiliated by arrest or imprisonment, or by anything else to which his enemies subjected him, simply because he always thought of himself as an ambassador. He simply referred such things to the Court which he represented, and went his way with his head up."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR TWO WEEKS  
ENDING APRIL 6, 1900.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
THE COMING KING.				
Julia C. Johnson.....	12	4	\$4.00	\$.50
Cora Quinn.....	15	1	1.00	
Phebe Vosburgh.....	19	6	6.00	1.25
Cora M. Davis.....	19	4	4.00	.75
C. L. Van Schoick.....	16	5	5.00	
Karl Bauer.....	19	2	2.00	.85
DESIRE OF AGES.				
Cora M. Davis.....	2		\$7.00	
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Henry Baetke.....	7	4	\$5.85	\$.25
COMING KING AND GREAT CONTROVERSY.				
J. P. Gaede.....	19	8	\$11.75	\$.50
MISCELLANEOUS.				
H. F. Lamb.....	14	9	\$21.25	
DELIVERIES.				
Books, Value, Helps, Lost.				
J. G. Sartorius.....	22		\$11.25	
C. L. Van Schoick.....	1		1.90	
Julia C. Johnson.....	1		1.00	
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				10
" " orders.....				45
Value of ".....			\$97.85	
" " helps sold.....			\$4.10	
Total value.....			\$71.95	
Value of deliveries.....			\$13.25	

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIENCE.

"KNOWING that the Sabbath-school is called the nursery of the church, and that to have it a nursery it should be filled with children, we went to work to gather the children in. I thought our experience might be interesting to some others who are engaged in this work. These meetings are planned and held each month, not only to gain the interest of our own children especially, but also any others we may be able to reach. When we began this work, we got a bunch of small white envelopes and addressed them to the children of the neighborhood that we hoped to have come. The invitations were carried by two or three boys to the addresses, and a personal invitation was added to the written one. The note contained the invitation, the time of meeting, the subject, and the added thought that illustrations would be used. It was a pleasure to see how heartily they responded. One little girl came, bringing a visiting friend and two others with her. Some who had never been in the Sabbath-school were there, and paid strict attention to all that was said."

The above is the experience of the workers at Pilot Mound, and we are certain this same work can be carried on successfully wherever there are consecrated hearts full of love for the children. Sister Una Cartwright would be glad to correspond with others engaged in this work.

VISITORS.

"WHEN visitors are in attendance, would it be proper to invite them to take charge of the school, as superintendent, or to review the different divisions?"

If the visitor is a Sabbath-school worker, it may be proper to ask him to take charge of some of the exercises. But it is not best to make too great a change in the school, for fear that more will be lost than gained by the change. Even a Sabbath-school worker who may be visiting a school can do more for the officers and school by looking on, and holding a consultation with the officers and teachers afterwards. He will notice the defects, and be better able to give good suggestions than he would if he conducted the exercises himself.—*Sabbath School Worker.*

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—STATE camp-meeting at Ames, June 1-10.

—BRO. JOHN CASPERSON, of Jefferson, was in Des Moines Sunday on business.

—ELD. B. E. FULLMER expects to begin a short series of meetings at the Olin church the 19th inst.

—ELD. E. E. GARDNER stopped in Des Moines last week, *en route* to fill his appointment at Pilot Mound.

—DR. M. M. MARTINSON and his wife Dr. Stella Martinson are visiting home friends in Kossuth County.

—ELDS. CLARENCE SANTEE and P. A. Hansen met in Des Moines last Thursday, to consider the interests of our State work.

—ELD. P. A. HANSEN addressed the Des Moines church Sabbath forenoon, presenting many practical thoughts drawn from the text in Phil. 2:5.

—BRO. DANIEL FITCH visited his sister, Mrs. O. W. Snyder, in Des Moines last week, leaving the city for Burlington evening after the Sabbath, to see his mother. He goes this week to Guadalajara, Mexico, to connect with our Sanitarium there.

—SEVERAL in returning the BULLETIN renewal cards have failed to fill out the blanks. We can not tell to whose subscription to apply the quarter enclosed. If in any instance, after sending in your renewal, the date on paster is not changed, please notify us.

—MARRIED.—At the home of Mr. Geo. Gane, Anamosa, Iowa, March 26, 1900, Mr. Joseph Jamieson, of Nevada, and Miss Anna Anderson, of Marshalltown, Eld. B. E. Fullmer, officiating. The best wishes of the BULLETIN are extended to this worthy couple.

—BRO. C. J. BUHALTS and Miss Mary Crouse were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Parkersburg, Iowa, April 8, 1900, Eld. Clarence Santee performing the ceremony. They spent last Sabbath at West Grove, going the first of this week to Manitoba, Bro. Buhalts' new field of labor. The prayers of their many friends accompany this worthy young couple, as they wish for them happiness and increased usefulness in the Master's vineyard.

—ONE of the charter members of the Grinnell church, Mrs. Amy Quivey, was called away by death last Friday evening. The funeral services were conducted by Eld. P. A. Hansen, Sunday afternoon, at 2 P. M.

—BRO. AND SISTER A. KING and their daughter, Mrs. L. L. Peck, have removed from Des Moines to Oklumulgee, Indian Ty. We wish them prosperity in their new home.

### SANITARIUM NOTES.

Mrs. GEN. JAS. B. WEAVER has been one of the Sanitarium guests the past week.

SISTER A. V. YOUNG, of Woolen, came Friday to spend a short time at the Sanitarium.

MISS NELLIE BUTLER, of Millersburg, has been taking treatment for a couple of weeks past, and is improving in health.

### "THE PERIL OF THE REPUBLIC."

THIS book, by Prof. Magan, is a book which contains information of importance to us now. The author sets forth some of the great events of the past; especially presents the meaning of the things that are transpiring around us; and, guided by the Word of God, he clearly presents the events which are yet to take place. The following are some of the chapter headings: A Nation's Birthright, The Crisis of '61, A Chapter in Criminal History, American Imperialism, National Apostasy, Manifest Destiny, In the Trail of Rome, Amity or Armageddon.

L. F. STARR.

### NOTICE.

I HAVE not corresponded with all the persons that are named in the camp-meeting committees, but we have arranged in a way that we believe will be satisfactory to the brethren, if those named can take the work assigned. If there are reasons why any one can not accept the work on any of the committees, we shall be pleased to hear from such *at once*, so that any necessary changes may be made in good time. Seventh-day Adventist laborers are willing to work; and we believe that with the above committees the camp will present an appearance of order and neatness that, with the cooperation of all the brethren and sisters who may come, will be pleasing to, and approved of, the Lord.

CLARENCE SANTEE.

### COMMITTEES IN CHARGE OF CAMP-MEETING WORK.

1. **Camp-Meeting.**—J. W. Dorcas, Henry Eide, W. J. Johnson, Lewis Johnson, J. H. Wierts, Charles Heald.
2. **Auditing Conference Laborers' Accounts.**—Conference Committee, O. R. Brown, Jacob Shively, Lewis Willson, L. Schoberg, A. J. Stiffler, J. M. Whitney.
3. **Baggage.**—C. A. Hansen, G. A. Larson.
4. **Pitching and Seating Large Pavilion.**—J. S. Hart, W. B. Everhart, J. O. Beard, G. R. Hawkins, P. P. Adams, W. M. Adams.
5. **Pitching and Seating Forty-foot Tents.**—C. A. Washburn, E. G. Olsen, N. C. Bergersen, A. J. Iden, F. L. Moody, T. H. Jeys.
6. **Camp-Meeting Directory and Collecting Rents.**—C. W. Smouse, E. H. Adams, N. C. Bergersen.
7. **Lumber.**—Wm. Guthrie.
8. **Furniture.**—B. E. Fullmer, H. Rorholm.
9. **Grocery.**—C. Tuttle, U. P. Long.
10. **Flooring Tents.**—N. L. McClintock, J. C. Clemens, George Ebel, Arthur McClintock.
11. **Illuminating.**—F. L. Moody, G. R. Hawkins, C. T. Adams.
12. **Dining Tent.**—Callie Charlton, Mrs. Julia Johnson.
13. **Children's Meetings.**—Mrs. Jessie L. Adams, Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, Mrs. Emma Hawkins, Mrs. E. E. Gardener.
14. **Vocal Music.**—W. M. Adams, R. H. Habenicht.
15. **Organists.**—Mrs. Flora V. Dorcas, Mrs. Jessie Fullmer.
16. **Reception.**—C. T. Adams, Mrs. Linnie Clemens, Mrs. Eva Jensen, Nellie Knapp.
17. **Book Tent.**—Carl Jensen, W. L. Manfull.
18. **Decoration and Ministers' Tents.**—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Jorgensen, Lizzie Carter.
19. **Bell Ringing.**—Peter Lindahl.
20. **Auditing Conference Accounts.**—C. W. Smouse, E. E. Gardner, Thos. Jeys.
21. **Reporting.**—F. A. Washburn, L. F. Starr.

### APPOINTMENTS.

EDDYVILLE, April 21, 22, 1900.  
Meetings may continue for a time if it is thought advisable.

FRANK WASHBURN.

BONAPARTE, April 27-29, 1900.  
Fairfield, April 30 to May 1, "  
Denmark, May 4-6, "  
New London, " 7, 8, "

The friends at these places may appoint meetings to commence on the evening of the first date.

C. A. WASHBURN.

### QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

BURLINGTON, April 21, 22, 1900.  
All members are kindly requested to be present or report by letter. Eld. C. Santee has promised to be with us.  
CARL JENSEN, *Elder*.

ATALISSA, April 28, 1900.  
The ordinances of the Lord's house will be celebrated. We hope all the members will come who can, and that the others will report by letter. We invite the brethren from Wilton Junction and Rochester to meet with us.

E. H. ADAMS, *Elder*.