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HOW TO BE REFRESHED.

If you fair plant should listless say,
"I'll fold my glossy leaves to-day,
And have no part in giving shade,
For fear my garment bright will fade."
Think you it long would stand serene
Clothed in its robes of living green?

Ah no, the sun could give no light
To leaves all folded from its sight;
The wind could send no breath of air
To foliage hidden with such care.
Though clouds should drop their cooling
showers,
Those buds could never swell to flowers.

If we should close our hearts and hands,
And fasten them with golden bands,
And have no part in heaven's great plan
To rescue lost and sinful man,
Think you we long should grow in grace,
Or see the shining of God's face?

Ah no, our souls will shrink away,
Unless we clear "the King's Highway."
The water brooks that freely flow,
Make hillsides green and roses grow.
The generous heart is always blest;
By giving we may be refreshed.

—Eliza H. Morton.

AT THE SANITARIUM.

I WAS in Des Moines three days, August 7-9, with the other members of the Conference Committee. These were busy days, auditing accounts, and considering other Conference work. The Sanitarium Board also had some important matters on hand, which were considered by the joint committee.

I met some of my fellow workers of former years, still at their posts of duty, and was treated very kindly at our Sanitarium Conference Home. I

could hardly tell where to find the old "Conference Home," but concluded that it was somewhere in the northern part of the Sanitarium building. I had the opportunity of learning more about the Sanitarium, and was told that, excepting two or three rooms, it was full of patients and workers. This was rather better than I expected, as the building will not have been open for patients an entire year until next fall.

While it is greatly to be desired that the Sanitarium free itself from debt, and be a success financially, there is another and greater object, which no doubt the builders had in view, *viz.*, a desire to benefit the sick and suffering throughout the great State of Iowa. I wish to call attention to a notice in the BULLETIN of August 14, under the heading, "Sanitarium Rates." It says: "Regular price for room, board, and bathroom treatment, \$10.00 to \$14.00 per week. The worthy poor will be required to pay but \$5.00 per week for room, board, and bathroom treatment, and to them all extras will be furnished at one-half the regular rates." Those who are entitled to reduced rates, should correspond with the *Business Manager*, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines, Iowa.

May the Sanitarium have the co-operation and patronage of the people of Iowa, and be a blessing to the poor, as well as to the rich, performing the work that the Lord would have done.

C. A. WASHBURN.

"REAL lovers of God do not need the world to make them happy. They will be gloriously happy when there is no world."

"THE trials of life are God's workmen, to remove the impurities and roughness from our character."

MAKE GOOD YOUR PROMISES.

How careful we all should be to make no promises that we are not sure we can make good. I am satisfied that many of our people make promises, and then carry them so long that they become a real burden. At least this was once my experience. I promised to give twenty-five dollars to a certain institution; but when the time came to pay, it seemed hard to raise that amount, and I delayed. I consoled myself with the thought that no one had asked me to pay it, and the institution seemed to be getting along nicely. Although I knew it was in debt, I continued to put off making my promise good, until I finally met with a personage who suggested that I repudiate the debt. He gave this reason: "The men at the head of that institution are not using the money right." Brethren, only you who have passed through a like experience can know how I was troubled for some time. One power said, "Do not pay it;" another said, "If you vow a vow, pay it," or in other words, Keep your promise. Brethren, many excuses were suggested, and sad to say some of them were listened to. All the time the burden was becoming heavier, until I finally decided to redeem the pledge, and did so by borrowing the money at ten per cent.

What lesson did you get out of it, Bro. Jacobs?—This, brethren, that when I make a promise, I must keep it. And let me say, If any of you are in the same difficulty that I was, and feel as I did, you will do the same. I am satisfied that many of our brethren are carrying loads on account of like obligations, both to God and man. It surely causes leanness of soul, and there is nothing more discouraging. Brethren, keep your promises; pay a few days before your notes or accounts

come due, if possible; and, my word for it, you will find it much easier to follow the road that is growing narrower every day. In all my dealings I have found that promptness in keeping promises will gain friends, and dollars as well. Slackness along this line is an awful curse, here as elsewhere; but real progress has been made, not only in our school work, but also among our neighbors. To God be all the praise. S. M. JACOBS.

FIELD REPORTS.

CRAWFORDSVILLE.

THE meetings at this place are still in progress, and we are now in the midst of the Sabbath question, in connection with the Third Angel's Message and the Law of God. We looked for the attendance to fall off some when we reached this question, but it continues about the same, ranging from seventy-five to a hundred and fifty. Some who live four miles out from the city come almost every evening. This seems to indicate an interest to hear. This is a new field for our work, no meetings having ever been held here before, but some are in attendance who have heard the truth elsewhere.

This evening (Aug. 25) our subject is the "Two Covenants," and tomorrow evening we will review Eld. D. M. Canright's tracts, "Evil Effects of Saturday Observance," and "Eighty Facts About Sunday Keeping." These tracts have been circulated in the city, so we have thought best to review the positions taken, this week. Pray for the success of the work at this place. Our company are well and of good courage.

C. A. WASHBURN,
F. A. WASHBURN.

GRAND JUNCTION.

WE are still continuing the meetings in this place, though the attendance has decreased quite materially. The numerous and heavy rains, together with much prejudice and opposition, have caused the work to move somewhat slowly. We have quite fully considered the Sabbath question in its various phases, but can not say what the results will be. One sister has expressed her intention of living out in daily life the truths listened to at the tent. Others who have attended quite regularly are fully convinced of the truth. Our prayer is that God may

by his divine influence convince these souls of sin, and give them grace to live out their convictions. We are led to realize more and more how necessary it is that people submit themselves to the leadings of God's Holy Spirit, and permit it to be the ruling factor in their lives. Then there will be no hesitancy in walking out in the light.

From the first, there has been in this place, as in most others, a marked indifference on the part of the people, and we have found it necessary to use every possible means to induce them to come out to the tent. Still we labor on in hope, cheered by the consolation that if we faithfully perform our part God will do his. We desire to be remembered in the prayers of all who love the gospel of Christ's kingdom, that we may be workmen "that needeth not to be ashamed," true and loyal to the trust he has left in our hands.

August 24.

J. S. HART,
WM. J. JOHNSON,
A. W. JOHNSON.

MISSOURI VALLEY.

OUR old tent, which was damaged beyond repair Monday night, was replaced by a new one Thursday. Thus we lost only two evenings. The dear Lord has blessed us here in every way. Our congregations have averaged about sixty. Some opposition was offered by the Danish M. E. minister, which resulted in a victory for the truth. We have been pressed several times by the Latter-day Saints for a debate, but have refused the use of our tent. Yet we have asked them to present to the people from their own place of meeting, the evidence that Sunday is the Sabbath or Lord's day, agreeing to answer. We were told that they would do this if we would not come and hear it. Several are keeping the Sabbath of the Lord, while some thus far lack courage to step out. We labor on in hope and courage, hoping that others may realize that the grace of Christ is all sufficient for them.

Aug. 21.

B. L. DIEFFENBACHER,
HENRY JOHNSON.

WELDON.

WE are not yet able correctly to report results of our work here, but can say that the attendance has been quite good. There has been some opposition, which probably has influenced some to cease coming; but others have taken their places, so that our congrega-

tion remains about the same in numbers. We have tried to present the message faithfully, endeavoring to get the people to study their Bibles and learn whether these things be true. We have held two Sabbath meetings, the brethren from Osceola and Woodburn meeting with us. We appreciated their presence and help. A few friends also met with us, and others are interested, for whom we hope and pray.

We have recently had some very heavy rains; and as we note how dry the seats are kept, we appreciate our new tent and the efforts of those who contributed toward its purchase. May God reward and bless them.

We ask to be remembered at the throne of grace, that the Lord may be glorified in all we do.

C. W. NEAL, C. W. HEALD,
F. L. MOODY, V. B. WATTS.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETY AT SIGOURNEY.

OUR young people at this place have organized a Young People's Missionary Society, and are studying ways and means whereby to help advance God's work. Each week we meet and give a short private program, and prepare papers and tracts for distribution. Every fourth Sabbath we give a public program. We are now studying the Sabbath question, that we may be able to give a reason for "the hope that is within us." Our elder, Bro. W. M. Adams, of Ottumwa, furnishes outlines for these studies.

In our organization we have a constitution, and all work is done by means of committees. The Lord is blessing in this work, and we praise him for it. He has said through his servant that the young people should organize societies like the Christian Endeavorers; so we are thankful to be found striving along this line. While we are few in number, the promises are for us. If in other of our churches the young people would like to have the benefit of any of our experience, and will write our President, Bro. W. C. Hankins, he will endeavor to help them. We ask the prayers of God's people, that we may fulfill Col. 3:17.

C. E. RENTFRO.

"If Christ is at the helm, why should we be running about the deck in distress lest the vessel should sink? Duty belongs to us, results to God. Then let us work, and wait, and trust, casting our burdens upon him."

OBITUARY.

GROSECLOSE.—Died, Aug. 21, 1900, Bro. John Groseclose, of Levey, Iowa, aged 33 years.

Bro. Groseclose died about 2:30 Tuesday morning, from injuries received by being thrown from his wagon in a runaway Monday afternoon. A wife and two small children, father, mother, two brothers, and four sisters, are left to mourn. He was a member of the Des Moines S. D. Adventist church, and his neighbors and friends bear testimony to his kind, Christian life. The funeral occurred from the home, Eld. J. W. Adams conducting the services under the trees in the yard. C. H. PARSONS.

THE BOOK WORK.

THE TRUE OBJECT.

THE true object of the canvassing work should never be lost sight of. It is not to make money, nor to furnish employment for those who have nothing else to do, or those who can not do anything else. Some of our best canvassers have voluntarily left positions where they were receiving good wages, bringing the energy, perseverance and tact which gave them success in other callings, into this work; and entering upon it from right motives, their labor has been blessed of God and their efforts crowned with success.

In a few very plain words the Lord has told us the true object of this branch of the work: "The canvassing work is God's means of reaching many that would not otherwise be impressed with the truth." *Test. 32, page 161.* Since the Lord has not told us who those "many" are, nor where they are to be found, it is evident that we must go to all, high or low, rich or poor. So the faithful canvasser will seek to devise means to gain access to the mansion of the great, the palace of the rich, and the office of the business man, as well as to the home of the laborer and the hovel of the poor; for the precious "good seed" will be found mingled with the "tares" in all the walks of life.

The Lord's plan of sending his laborers to search out the honest-hearted, wherever they may be found, seems to have been foretold by the prophet in the following language: "Behold, I will send for many fishers, saith the Lord, and they shall fish them: and

after I will send for many hunters, and they shall hunt them from every mountain and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks." Jer. 16:16.

Dear brother or sister, do you not wish to become a fisher of men, one of the Lord's hunters? If you do, do not delay. Begin at once; for the hunting season will soon close, and then it will be too late.—*F. E. Painter in Pennsylvania Gleaner.*

SISTER HORTENSE HEIVILIN, of Clarinda, writing personally of her experience canvassing for the Independence Signs, as related by Bro. Manfull in last week's BULLETIN, says: "Although the number sold was not large, the lessons I learned will not soon be forgotten. I know the Lord by his Spirit will help us do the work he has for us; for he has said, 'Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit.'"

WHILE canvassing last spring, Sister Etta Conklin left a tract at a house in which she had delivered a canvass. On visiting the same a few weeks ago, she found the lady of the house keeping the Sabbath. This is truly encouraging for those who are scattering the printed page. Read Isa. 32:20.—*Dakota Worker.*

"THIS world is God's work-shop, where he fashions us for the courts of heaven."

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING AUG. 17, 1900.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
THE COMING KING.				
Susan Haskell.....	18	5	\$ 5.00	\$2.00
Nelle Schoberg.....	18	4	4.00	.80
Christine Henriksen.....	35	9	9.00	2.80
Phebe Vosburg.....	8	6	6.00	1.50
Cora M. Davis.....	9	4	4.00	1.00
Carl Bauer.....	42	11	10.50	.75
Edward J. Everett.....	25	1	1.00	\$1.05
DESIRE OF AGES AND COMING KING.				
Elbridge Adams.....	25	7	\$ 9.50	\$1.35
DESIRE OF AGES.				
Pearl D. Bascöm.....	17	2	\$ 7.00	\$1.20
Harriet C. Fuller.....	16	3	10.50	.45
Mary L. Haskell.....	18	1	3.50	2.25
HERALDS OF THE MORNING.				
Paul Curtis.....	28	5	\$ 7.50	\$4.25
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	42	4	\$ 8.25	\$3.25
DELIVERIES.				
	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
Cora M. Davis.....	1	\$1.00		
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				13
" " orders.....				62
Value of ".....			\$ 85.75	
" " helps sold.....			\$ 22.35	
Total value.....			\$108.10	
Value of deliveries.....			\$ 1.00	

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

TEACHERS' MEETINGS.

D. FLORENCE HEALD, FAIRFIELD: "I have felt the need of teachers' meetings all along, but it has been difficult to get them started. I think the plan of questioning on the *Worker* a very good one. It will not only be an incentive to study, but will help to impress upon our minds the good thoughts read."

TINA JACOBSEN, SHELBY: "The Sabbath-school is getting along nicely, though we are only a few. We have not held teachers' meetings, but are going to begin next Friday evening; and I will try to keep them up as long as I am here."

HENRY TOOD, URBANA: "I received the questions on the August *Worker*, and I think that they will be a real help in our teachers' meeting. I hope you will continue to send such help, and we will try to hold regular teachers' meetings."

WINNIE S. PHILLIPS, LE CLAIRE: "It is the earnest desire of the officers and teachers, to continue holding teachers' meetings. We use the questions you send, and are very thankful for them, as they are so much help to us. We as teachers are willing to study any helps you may send us. We already study the *Worker*, but intend to study it more thoroughly. It is our desire to make our teachers' meetings more profitable and interesting than ever before."

GLENWOOD CONVENTION.

OUR convention was held July 1. The day was lovely, and the grounds were beautiful and well seated. Two sessions were held, with quite a good attendance, although the members of the Riverton, Council Bluffs, and North Grove schools were not present, on account of work that was pressing. We had some visitors, also, and all enjoyed the program very much. Five papers were read and discussed. The children assisted in the program, by singing several songs. Bro. P. P. Adams was present, and assisted also. We hope to profit by this convention, and will endeavor to improve in our Sabbath-school work.

[The above is a synopsis of a report sent in by the secretary, Nellie L. Davis. J. L. A.]

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—RUTHVEN camp-meeting, Sept. 4-9.

—ELD. WM. GUTHRIE went last Thursday, via Des Moines, to hold meetings at Bladensburg.

—ELD. L. F. STARR called at the Sanitarium the first of last week, returning from Winterset.

—BRO. WM. HAHNE, formerly employed in the bakery at Des Moines, removed last week with his family to St. Louis, Mo.

—MRS. LINNIE CLEMENS has so far recovered as to be able to rejoin her husband at Sioux City. She left Des Moines for that place last Friday.

—MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS and Miss A. Helen Wilcox were in attendance at the Parkersburg camp-meeting, in the interests of the Sabbath-school work.

—MISS NELLIE KNAPP went from Carnes to Dickenson county, visiting in the vicinity of Spirit Lake and Milford. She expects to extend her trip to Minnesota.

—A NUMBER of the church clerks and treasurers have failed to send in their reports for last quarter. The Conference Secretary requests that they attend to this at once.

—BRO. H. E. OSBORNE, Secretary of the I. R. L. Association, was present at the Parkersburg camp-meeting, engaging especially in the presentation of the religious liberty work. Eld. A. T. Jones also attended, as was anticipated.

—ELD. J. H. MORRISON recently spent about a week on his farm near Milo, meeting with the Sandyville church Sabbath, Aug. 11. He visited at the Sanitarium Tuesday, going in the evening to attend the camp-meeting at Parkersburg.

—HAVING spent two days at the Parkersburg camp-meeting, Dr. J. H. Kellogg came to Des Moines Sabbath morning. He spoke to an appreciative audience in the church at 11 A. M. and also at 2:30 P. M., presenting in his usual entertaining manner the subject of healthful living, from both scriptural and scientific authority. This was the Doctor's first appearance in the Des Moines church; but we hope to hear him frequently in the future, and trust that the deep impression made upon this occasion may result in lasting benefit.

—THE following extracts taken from a recent letter will be of interest to those who read Bro. Jacobs' article in the BULLETIN a few weeks since: "Several have responded to the call in my last article, and this creates a new incentive to study on the part of those thus helped. It will lift quite a burden, as we hardly knew what some of the students would do for clothes this winter. I believe it will also be a source of inspiration to the children who help. We thrashed last Monday, and had 300 bushels of wheat. I took a sample of it to the miller yesterday, and he said they would allow us the same number of pounds to the bushel that they did last year, which was 35 pounds, while they are allowing others from 12 to 25 pounds to the bushel only. So we have been truly blessed in our wheat crop."

—WE are in receipt of initial numbers of *Library for Bible Study*, in both the Danish and Swedish languages. These publications will appear quarterly, and may be had for ten cents per year. "Marshaling of the Nations," which has had such a phenomenal sale in our language, will appear as No. 2 in the Swedish, and No. 3 in the Danish, and will, we doubt not, be a valuable help in the work among the people of these nationalities. We shall be pleased to receive orders for this library, and especially from our Scandinavian brethren and sisters.

—WE desire to call attention again to "Looking Unto Jesus," issued as No. 5 of the *Berean Library*. This is another of Bro. U. S. Smith's works, and one that formerly, in book form, sold at \$1.00. The effort that is made to place our standard works within the reach of all, should be appreciated and receive the endorsement of a large list of renewals to the *Berean Library*. All who have not already renewed their subscriptions, should do so at once, in order that they may secure "Looking Unto Jesus," the first number in the second volume.

—SISTER MATTIE PIPPENGER, of Tama, has secured permission to place a reading rack in the depot at that place, and desires a supply of tracts and papers for that purpose. Please send postpaid, late, clean copies of our periodicals to her address as given above.

—MRS. E. E. GARDNER and children made the trip from Des Moines to Parkersburg by private conveyance.

—"COMING KING" in the Danish and Swedish languages is now ready.

—ELD. J. S. HART and wife met with the church at Boone last Sabbath.

—BRO. JOHN MCKIBBEN and his brother Frank, of Adel, are spending a few days in Des Moines.

—BRO. H. B. TILDEN, returning to Muscatine from Minnesota, met with the Des Moines church last Sabbath.

—MRS. J. S. HART is now with the tent company at Grand Junction, rendering very acceptable help in the music and otherwise.

—DOUBTLESS many have noticed the appointment of Eld. P. A. Hansen to the presidency of the Danish Conference. We understand that he expects to leave this country soon after the Ruthven camp-meeting.

—BRO. CARL NEWTON has been visiting in Iowa, while enroute from Battle Creek, Mich., to College View, Neb., and is stopping at the Sanitarium while in Des Moines this week. He expects to return and continue his studies in the American Medical Missionary College.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

BRO. ROBT. HASKELL, of Garwin, came last week for treatment.

MRS. A. E. CULVER returns home this week, somewhat improved in health.

MRS. F. F. TAYLOR, the blind lady from Knoxville, returned home last Friday, much pleased with the help received here.

BRO. E. H. WILBUR has gone to his home for needed rest. It is his desire to finish the nurses' course later if his health will permit.

WHILE here Dr. Kellogg spoke to the Sanitarium helpers, and also spent some time in private consultation with patients and in counsel with Dr. Hare.

MRS. H. C. MITCHELL, of Nevada, writes: "The neighbors wonder at my rapid recovery, but I tell them all it is because I had a good Sanitarium nurse."

MISS LOIS REED, of the Nebraska Sanitarium, is at our Sanitarium for a few days, expecting to accompany Mrs. W. H. Stipp to her home in State Center this week.

SISTER P. A. MARVIN expressed much satisfaction in speaking of the benefit realized from her stay here. She goes this week to the home of her daughter at Fayette.

ELD. N. C. BERGERSEN came from Roland Sabbath, suffering intensely from an abscess under his tongue. He obtained relief, and was able to return to his work Monday.