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OUT OF TOUCH.

ONLY a word, yes, only a word,
That the Spirit's small voice whispered, "Speak;"
But the worker passed onward, unblest and
weak.

Whom you were meant to have stirred
To courage, devotion, and love anew,
Because, when the message came to you,
You were "out of touch" with your Lord.

Only a day, yes, only a day;
But ah, can you guess, my friend,
Where the influence reaches, and where it will
end.

Of the hours you have felted away?
The Master's command is, "Abide in me;"
And fruitless and vain will your service be
If you're "out of touch" with your Lord.

—Jean H. Watson.

STATE MEETING.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made to hold a State workers' meeting at Des Moines, Nov. 7-12, which the Vice-president of the Conference wishes to have announced. We consider this a favorable time, as it is thought best for the tent work to close before the presidential election, Nov. 6. Important matters will be considered, and plans will be made for the rest of the year. Able help is expected. Elds. I. H. Evans, A. G. Daniells, and A. Moon, also Prof. P. T. Magan, may be present.

We extend a cordial welcome. The members of the Des Moines church have freely opened their homes, but are unfavorably situated to do all they would desire. So we ask all to come prepared, as far as practicable, to care for themselves.

J. W. ADAMS.

FROM EUROPE.

Dear Friends in Iowa: My last report was from Hamburg, I believe. We are now in the southern part of Russia, not far from the Black Sea, among a settlement of Germans who one hundred years ago emigrated to this place because their religious views were not tolerated in Germany. They are called Menonites, the followers of Meno Simon, a reformer in Holland. Because of persecution in Holland Germany opened the door to them. But when "another Pharaoh" arose, they were again oppressed; and when in 1786 a representative from Russia was sent to invite them to that country, offering them full liberty in religious matters, about three hundred families left Germany for Russia. Their belief is opposed to infant baptism, the taking of oaths, and military service. For twenty years they were exempt from military service; but after that a new ruler arose, who does not regard their religious scruples. But now, notwithstanding their own experiences, they manifest a spirit of intolerance to those differing from them. They have tried to run me out of the country, but the same Lord who helped them in former years has stood by my side. Although the majority are not willing to accept the message which the Lord in his mercy sends to them, he has some precious jewels here. I have had the privilege of taking six into the church, three by baptism and three by vote. I find many open doors and hearts, and souls are hungering and thirsting for the truth.

Although many perplexities arise, the Lord has a way out of them all, if we only trust him. The sheriff was once sent to examine our passports, but he could not find anything wrong with them, nor could he get the infor-

mation he wanted, that was, whether I was a minister or not. He then began to question me about the Sabbath, so I held a Bible reading with him on the subject. Finally he said, "I have not come here to quarrel with you about the Bible." My fountain pen, which I had loaned him, seemed to interest him more by this time, and he asked me how much I wanted for it. He ordered one, and we parted as friends, and he promised to come again and study the Bible. Our hearts are filled with praise to God. While in Berlin we were pleased to meet with Bro. and Sister M. W. Newton, from College View, Neb., and we visited many places of interest with them.

We have rented rooms for five rubles a month. Eatables are very dear, also clothing. We have not yet received the household goods we shipped from America, and we fear that they were burned in the great fire at Hoboken, New Jersey. Among other things was a new organ and all my books, besides bedding and clothing, of which we are much in need. The Foreign Mission Board have done the best they could to find them, without success. The crops are poor this year, and the prospect is that many people will suffer. We are well and of good courage. We would be glad to hear from all our friends. Our permanent address is Kl. Alexanderpol, St. Otscheretino, Gouv. Ekatermaslaw, South Russia. In writing please put five cents in postage on envelope.

Ever your friends in the Lord,
D. P. AND E. GAEDE.

Sept. 8.

I WILL account no sin little, since the least works out the death of a soul. It is all one whether I be drowned in the ebb on shore or in the midst of the deep sea.—Bishop Hall.

"IN BUSINESS PREFERRING ONE ANOTHER."

READING the article in a late *Review* under the above title, I was forcibly reminded of the following incident:—

Two neighbors, A and G, called at the home of J to buy potatoes, when substantially the following conversation took place:—

A.—"Mr. J, I have come to buy potatoes."

G.—"Well, so have I."

J.—"All right, gentlemen. I have about ten bushels to sell. How many do you each want?"

A.—"I want at least that many, and have the money to pay for them."

J.—"And neighbor G, how many do you want?"

G.—"Well, I wanted about ten bushels also, and was intending to ask you to wait on me for the money; but as you can get cash, you will doubtless not want to sell to me."

J.—"I'm not so sure of that. Mr. A, you have the money; you can buy potatoes anywhere. Neighbor G has not the cash, and so must buy where he can be trusted. I will let him have the potatoes."

This was the beginning. Later, J called G's attention to certain tracts, books, papers, etc., inviting him to read and investigate. This he willingly did, with the happy result that he fully believed and embraced the truth.

This is no fancy sketch. G is now dead; but he died rejoicing in the truth of God. J lives, and still tries to let his light shine. A has passed away, but during his lifetime many times spoke in the highest terms of his neighbor who refused cash in order to sell to a needy neighbor on credit. From this simple act of Christian courtesy there has gone forth a wave of influence, the complete results of which can not be known till the time when all the acts of our lives are made manifest. T. H. JEYS.

COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI.

Dear Brethren and Sisters: My mind has been drawn back to-day toward old Iowa more than usual. When not busy our minds naturally reflect upon home scenes and those whom we love. I now find plenty of time to think, having been confined to my bed six days with malarial fever. There has been much sickness here, which has called for help; and this, together with delivering my books part of which had to be done at night, has given me more

work than I could stand. But, thank the Lord, I am gaining rapidly, and will soon be at work; and work is abundant and urgent. If we had a barrel of papers and tracts a month, we could use them to good advantage. I believe the work of the colporteur would be more successful than that of the minister; for he could go quietly about his work, and not create so much prejudice. The South is ready for the truth, and I know by experience that books can be sold here; yet it will require most earnest labor to be self-supporting. The negro of the South, poor and unlearned, hungers and thirsts for the truth, just as truly as does his white brother in the North. They are so anxious to learn of the Redeemer, that I sometimes have to go at night and read to them. We are grateful that we can sow seeds of truth, knowing that the harvest is sure.

Our school for the blacks is progressing nicely, with thirty pupils enrolled. Two evenings in the week there is night school. If you could realize how some exist in this country, I am sure your hearts would be touched. But how will so many learn of the truth when we have only three ministers, four canvassers, and about one hundred Sabbath-keepers in the State? Oh, it does seem that if the people of the North understood the needs of the South, they would come to the rescue. Pray for us, that we may faithfully do the work that is given us.

J. S. FRY.

Oct. 20.

THE WORK IN THE SOUTH.

Dear Ones: "The South is calling for temporal and spiritual food, but it has been so long neglected that hearts have become hard as stone. God's people need now to arouse and redeem their sinful neglect and indifference of the past. God will graciously pour out his Spirit upon those who will take up their God-given work." "All who take hold of the work in the cause of God and suffering humanity will have to be one in their designs and plans. They will have plenty of trials and discouragements to meet, but they must not allow these to hinder or dishearten or handicap them in their work. They are to labor for this worse than heathen country."

The weather is all that could be desired. The *Southern Review* makes this statement: "The outlook never was brighter from a financial standpoint. Crops are good, and prices higher than

they have been for years. Now as never before should the work be pushed forward. One thousand canvassers would be none too many for the work in this large field, but where shall we look for them?"

We have one hundred copies of the *Good Health*, besides tracts, which we are selling, and we expect to work with the *Outlook Signs*. We have but four hands where there should be twelve, to feed the multitude. Who will come over and help us? We see the guiding hand of the Lord every step of the way. "He hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad." Not long since we received a letter from Bro. and Sister Newby, of Davenport, Iowa, saying, "We are not wealthy, but all is upon the altar, and Christ is soon coming. We have four hundred dollars for the work in Wilmington." We praise the Lord for the gift, and we know he has still more for us. We expect to have a church and school building; and if the Lord wills, tent meetings will be held here in April.

A sister, who is a widow, has twenty acres of land nine miles from Wilmington. For almost a year she has been praying for one of like faith to come and rent it. Sister Beaman and I have visited the place, and found a house of four rooms. There are peach, plum, pear, persimmon, apple, and mulberry trees, all bearing, also grapes, on the place. For particulars write to us, enclosing stamp.

"With all our might we must do our work now."

MOLLIE R. LONG.

13 N. 7th St., Wilmington, N. C.

THE larches first brought to England, coming from the south of Europe, were supposed by a gardener to need warmth. He put them in a hot-house. But day by day they withered, until the gardener in disgust threw them out into a dump heap. There they began to revive and bud, and grew up into trees. They needed the cold. So the great Husbandman often saves his plants by throwing them out into the cold. The nipping frosts of trial and affliction are needed if God's larches are to grow. It is under such discipline that new and heavenly thoughts and affections appear. The heart becomes more dead to the world and self. From the night of sorrow arises the morning of joy.—*Pulpit Treasury*.

"PROVE what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God."

DARBYVILLE.

QUITE a number of our members were present at our recent quarterly meeting, at which time Eld. W. B. Everhart met with us. All were of good courage, and why should we not be? If we are on the Lord's side, God is for us, and no one can be against us. Our present trials are only to refine and purify us, that we may withstand in the time of trouble just before us. We may come off more than conquerors through Christ, and inherit a home in his everlasting kingdom. What a grand reunion that will be! There we will worship God throughout the endless ages of eternity. May this be our happy lot is my prayer.

LINNIE WELTON, *Clerk.*

THE BOOK WORK.

WHO WILL GIVE THE SILENT MISSIONARY A START?

At the season of prayer recently observed by the churches in our Conference, many earnest prayers went up to God in behalf of the canvassing work. Shall we not do all we can to answer our prayers, and send forth to their God-given work the many excellent books that are waiting for some one to start them out on their mission of love? The mission of good books is far-reaching, and eternity alone will reveal the good accomplished in the simple effort on our part of helping them into the field. This class of missionaries travel farther and cheaper than any other. They are unaffected by climate and untouched by fever. They will go anywhere by land or sea, and reach those otherwise unreachable. They wait their time to be heard, and are never tired of speaking. Once started on their mission they call for no salary; it costs nothing to feed and clothe them. They never become impatient or angry when spoken against, and ever tell the same story, no matter how much disputed. In the presence of the rich and the poor they wear the same modest apparel. The learned or unlearned they are ready and competent to teach. They adapt themselves to the situation, in hovel or palace, and their voices never change amid reproach or praise, but they fearlessly pursue their mission. More can be said of these missionaries of light which are doing so much to warn and test the present generation. God made no mistake when he moved upon men to invent the printing press,

and we will make no mistake when we use it in publishing abroad the gospel of Christ. Again I ask, Who will give these silent missionaries a start?

May God bless old and young who do their part in getting the books into the field.—*R. A. Underwood in Keystone Gleaner.*

BRO. A. J. IDEN, writing of the special *Good Health* work in Ottumwa, says: "I have worked about fifty-five hours, selling one hundred and sixty-five copies. It is more trouble to take orders and then deliver, but it pays. I find many who are anxious to learn how to treat themselves at home. This work is a part of the third angel's message, and requires hard labor; but I know that if we succeed in any branch of God's cause, it is by hard work. I am glad for a part in the sounding of the message, and desire to be faithful in all I do!"

LET canvassing evangelists give themselves, without reserve, to be worked by the Holy Spirit. Let them, by persevering prayer, take hold of the power which comes from God, trusting in him by living faith. His great and effectual influence will be with every true, faithful worker.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

THE canvassing work is an important field for labor; and the intelligent, God-fearing, truth-loving canvasser occupies a position equal to that of the gospel minister.—*Mrs. E. G. White.*

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING OCT. 19, 1900.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
THE COMING KING.				
Nelle Schoberg.....	25	2	\$ 2.00	\$.25
Susan Haskell.....	26	7	7.00	2.55
Phebe Vosburg.....	17	5	5.00	16.50
Cora M. Davis.....	22	9	9.00	9.00
COMING KING AND HERALDS OF MORNING.				
O. N. Conklin.....	24	3	\$ 3.25	\$2.30
DANIEL AND REVELATION.				
Edward Everett.....	31	1	\$ 1.00	\$6.43
PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
Lewis Hilliard.....	35	9	\$10.50	\$2.75
FROM EDEN TO EDEN.				
Fred Scharff.....	17	5	\$ 5.00	\$.35
DELIVERIES.				
	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
Phebe Vosburg.....	88	\$88.00		10
Cora M. Davis.....	62	62.00		2
Christine Henriksen.....	63	63.00	\$6.25	3
Mary L. Haskell.....	36	56.00	4.25	1
Fred Scharff.....	10	12.50		1
Lewis Hilliard.....	2	3.50		
O. N. Conklin.....	1	1.25		
SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				10
" " orders.....				41
Value of ".....			\$ 48.75	
" " helps sold.....			\$ 50.63	
Total value.....			\$ 99.38	
Value of deliveries.....			\$286.25	

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

AMONG OUR SCHOOLS.

MRS. S. O. MOORE, CENTERVILLE: "Our school is doing nicely. We are of good courage."

ETTA A. WING, LEDYARD: "Pray for the scattered ones. We pray for all the family of believers, that each may be true to the Father and to each others."

MRS. E. M. FREDRICKSON, SIOUX CITY: "We were sorry to lose Bro. Clemens as our superintendent, but his missionary work increased to the extent that he felt unable to do both satisfactorily."

ELLA BADER, RUSSELL: "We are still holding Sabbath-school, and have a good interest. Two more families, having moved nearer, are attending. We have rented a large room for two dollars a month, and have the use of it when we have meetings also. Sisters Cora Davis and Phebe Vosburg were delivering their books at Chariton last week, and met with us on Sabbath."

SIMON J. PINES, BOONE: "About the first of January we adopted the 'ten-cents-a-week plan,' and the donation is taken up every week by the missionary secretary at the close of the meeting. At first some thought that by taking two collections every Sabbath our Sabbath-school donations would decrease; but I am glad to say that it has proven just the opposite, for our donations the last two quarters have been more than double what they usually are."

ONE OF OUR SCHOOLS: "We told the children we would make them a present of a book ('Christ our Saviour'), if they would come to Sabbath-school. They came until they received the book, but did not seem to care to attend afterward, so we concluded not to hire them to come."

"We should not seek to imitate Sunday-schools, nor keep up the interest by offering prizes. The offering of rewards will create rivalry, envy, and jealousy; and some who are the most diligent and worthy will receive little credit. Scholars should not try to see how many verses they can learn and repeat; for this brings too great a strain upon the ambitious child, while the rest become discouraged.—*Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work.*

ARE you one of the secretaries who has not reported this quarter?

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DES MOINES, IOWA, OCT. 30, 1900.

—MRS. D. C. MAGEE and daughter Ruby attended the quarterly meeting service at Osceola last Sabbath.

—DR. MARY FREDERICK has returned from her visit in Illinois, and reports that her mother is still failing in health.

—THE church school at Osceola is expected to begin this week, instead of the third week in October as before announced.

—ELD. W. B. EVERHART is at Darbyville assisting in church work. A new building is in process of erection at that place.

—ELD. WM. GUTHRIE, returning from a short visit at home in Stuart to the work at Parkersburg, called at the Sanitarium last Wednesday.

—ELD. E. E. GARDNER visited the churches at Burlington, Mt. Pleasant, and Ottumwa, in returning from Battle Creek, Mich., conducting the quarterly meeting at Osceola last Sabbath.

—A GOLD watch and chain were lost at the Exira camp-meeting on Sabbath, Oct. 12. The name Florence Rathbun was engraved upon it. Finder will please address the above named at Exira, and receive reward.

—THE work of circulating the special number of *Good Health* is onward. Bro. W. L. Manfull is visiting points in south-western Iowa, not only encouraging others to assist in this work, but doing what he can personally in the sale of the journals.

—ARRANGEMENTS having been made for Sister E. D. Carmichael, mother of the late Dr. Carmichael, of Matabeleland, S. Africa, to enter the James White Memorial Home, she left here last Wednesday evening, for Battle Creek, Michigan, accompanied by Dr. Zipf.

—THE patrons of the Des Moines church school are gratified to note the good degree of interest and progress manifested thus far on the part of the pupils. There is still an opportunity for others to enter the school. The tuition is \$1.00 per month, and board can be secured at a reasonable rate among our people, by those coming from outside the city. For further information correspond with the Secretary of the Board, Mrs. Nettie Shaw, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

—ELD. C. F. STEVENS was again called home to College View, last Tuesday, on account of his wife's condition. Knowing that Sister Stevens has many anxious friends among the BULLETIN readers we quote briefly from a letter received from Eld. Stevens: "I found Mrs. Stevens very weak. She is able to sit up only long enough to have her bed made. Her temperature has ranged from 96° to 104°. She seems to fail from week to week, and this last spell is the worst she has had. I greatly feel the need of God's sustaining grace in this time of affliction." May this dear family be remembered in our prayers to the Great Physician.

—THE new book "Power for Witnessing," by Eld. A. F. Ballenger, contains a message for all who would arise and shine. One sister writes: "I have read the book through to my family, and am reading it again. Every S. D. Adventist should read it." The price of this book is \$.75, postpaid. Order of Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

—ALL wishing to assist in the circulation of the Outlook *Signs* who have not already ordered a supply, should send in their orders at once. This paper is announced to be ready by November 1, and will be dated November 28. Prices: Single copy, 10 cents; 5 to 20 copies, 5 cents; 25 or more, 4 cents.

—NOTWITHSTANDING the change in price on single subscriptions to the *Signs*, the club rates will remain as follows: 5 to 24 copies, 75 cents per copy; 25 to 49 copies, 70 cents per copy; 50 to 99 copies, 65 cents per copy; 100 or more, 60 cents per copy.

—WE would be pleased to have those who subscribed for copies of "Christ's Parables" who have not yet paid for them, remit the money to meet their pledges, so that we may send the books as soon as possible.

—MRS. ANNIE MARSHALL, of Monroe, called at the Sanitarium last week as she was returning from a visit in Dallas county.

—SEVERAL of our missionary secretaries and church clerks have not sent in their quarterly reports. Are you one of these?

—FRED, HARRY, AND JOHN WEBER are taking a literary course of study in the University at Iowa City.

—SISTER E. E. GARDNER joined her husband at Osceola, to remain over Sabbath.

WORKERS' MEETING, Nov. 7-12.

—A SABBATH-SCHOOL convention has been announced for Des Moines, to be held Sabbath, Nov. 3. An invitation is extended to neighboring schools to attend.

—THE Workers' Meeting, to be held at Des Moines, Nov. 7-12, comes on short notice, but we trust that our workers will make an extra effort to attend. We expect able help, and know that we all need the counsel that will be given.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

MRS. S. D. LAW, of Canby, has returned for further treatment.

BRO. GEO. EIDEMILLER, who came week before last from Burlington, is steadily improving.

MRS. A. H. DESBRO visited at the home of her sister Mrs. J. H. Van Winkle, at Stuart, last week.

MRS. J. CHILCOTT was favored with a visit from her daughter Mrs. L. Mercer and little grandson Phillip, of Washington, Iowa, last week.

BRO. J. H. WIERTS has been improving rapidly during the past week, and present indications are that he will soon be able to leave his bed.

MISS CORA COUNTRYMAN received a visit from her mother and sister, of Eldon, last week. They were pleased to find her making such a good recovery from the surgical operation of the week before.

A LARGE box delivered by the expressman last Tuesday proved to be full of beautiful cut roses, coming from Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Keck, of Washington, Iowa. Friends in the city also remembered us with several bouquets of rare flowers. We feel sure that the donors would have been more than repaid could they have seen and heard the expressions of appreciation and admiration, as the flowers were placed in the rooms of the patients.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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

WANTED.—A place with a farmer for a boy who wishes to work for his board and go to school. For further information address Mrs. Jessie Dunlap, 2104 Scott St., Davenport, Iowa.

WANTED.—A man to work for his board during the winter. When spring work opens up, I will give eight months' work on the farm to the right man. Address W. C. Field, Oxford Mills, Iowa.

DOCTOR MARY FREDERICK,

Des Moines,

Office, 510 Walnut St.

Iowa.

APPOINTMENTS.

LISBON,

Nov. 3-6, 1900.

H. NICOLA,

B. E. FULLMER.