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### WITNESSES.

"And ye shall be witnesses vnto Me." Acts 1:8. □  
WITNESSES for Jesus in a world of sin;  
What do those around us know through us of  
Him?

Witnesses for Jesus, conqueror o'er the grave;  
Since He rose triumphant, He from death can  
save.

Witnesses for Jesus of the Spirit's power,  
Rich to help and comfort every day and hour.  
Witnesses for Jesus of His precious blood,  
As we journey onward to our rest above.

Witnesses for Jesus with our earthly store;  
All upon His altar,—Jesus asks no more.  
Witnesses for Jesus till He comes to reign  
O'er the world in glory, where He once was slain.  
—E. M. Exton.

### THE WATERLOO CAMP-MEETING.

THE meeting was held according to appointment on the Chaatauqua grounds. The attendance was not what was desired or expected, but those who came were not disappointed; for the good Spirit of God was present to convict and convert. Victories were gained by those who laid hold on God's strong arm and would not let go. The preaching was practical and searching, and covered the principal branches of our work for this time. Especially was the solemn thought made impressive that our Lord is really coming, and in this generation.

On Sabbath special revival services were held. After a very searching discourse by Eld. L. F. Starr on the Prodigal's Return, a decided, forward movement was made by almost every one. Many times these words were heard: "I have been feeding the swine

of pleasure (or temper or selfishness) long enough. Now I will return to the Father's house." Those who attended the meeting and sought God earnestly received the answer to their prayers. Those who stayed away because of indifference have suffered an irreparable loss.

THOS. H. JEYS.

### THE READING CIRCLE WORK.

THE plan of this work for the coming winter is very similar to that which has been followed the last two years. Two lines of reading are to be followed, —a study of health principles and the study of mission fields. But one lesson is assigned for a week's study. The lessons are designed primarily for home study. Each family and each person is asked simply to study each lesson as thoroughly as possible during the week assigned for that lesson. The first lesson will be published so as to be studied October 6-12.

The *Missionary Magazine* will be used as the basis of the field study, as heretofore. Introductory lessons, which may appropriately be called a Good Samaritan series, will precede the study of the text-book on health principles. The articles constituting the study will be published in the *Review*, as will also the questions on the articles. About January 1 the new text-book for this study, by Dr. J. H. Kellogg, will be ready. Of this, further announcements will be made later.

The importance of the field study is so well understood that it is surely unnecessary to say much of that. "The advent message to the world in this generation" is now the rallying cry of the denomination, so nothing else can be expected but that the denomination will be giving careful study to the field to which the message is to go.

In a Testimony dated May 27, 1896, this statement is made: "The presen-

tation of health principles must be united with this message, but must not be independent of it, or in any way take the place of it." If these principles must be united with the message, it is very evident that they must be clearly understood by the ones who are giving the message. Many among us have never studied these principles in a practical way, hence are not intelligently living them out, and are not prepared to present them to others. Another Testimony says: "The health reform, I was shown, is a part of the third angel's message, and is just as closely connected with it as are the arm and hand with the human body." Many other quotations might be given to show the importance of this phase of our work. Is it not time that this branch of the Lord's own work should receive the recognition that He Himself gives to it? That the instruction given us in these and similar Testimonies may be heeded in our own lives and in our work for others, this feature of the reading circle work has been planned.

Can not every one be ready to begin with the first study?

MRS. L. FLORA PLUMMER.

### "WHAT GOD HATH WROUGHT BY US."

Report for Quarter Ending June 30, 1901:—

No. of societies.....	117
" " reporting.....	74
" " members reporting.....	484
" " Sabbath-schools reporting.....	3
" " isolated members.....	266
" " isolated members reporting.....	33
" " letters written.....	476
" " letters received.....	237
" " Bible readings held.....	440
" " subscriptions for periodicals.....	152
" " periodicals distributed.....	13,520
" " pp. reading matter distributed.....	265,103
" " missionary visits made.....	948
" " hours spent in Christian Help work.....	1,298
" " persons supplied with clothing.....	466
" " persons supplied with food.....	395

## FIELD REPORTS.

## WAUKON.

No doubt many of our secretaries and isolated members had good reasons for withholding their reports. Although quite disappointed in our State summary, we trust that our people have not become discouraged in this good work. Remember that "courage is half the battle." "Be strong, and very courageous." Your good reports are a source of inspiration to many, so be not "weary in well doing." God knows all about the struggles and trials; and He helped One to overcome them all, and will help us if we call upon Him. The good reports of the seventy caused Christ to rejoice, and they themselves were filled with courage and joy because of the work they had been able to accomplish through the power of Christ. "And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us *through thy name*. And he said unto them, . . . Behold, I give you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over *all the power of the enemy*: and nothing shall by any means hurt you . . . In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit." How those good reports caused the heart of the Saviour to rejoice! That which brought joy to His heart then will now, as you bring in your good reports. Remember that "He that is faithful in that which is least, is faithful also in much." The Lord will say to you, as He said to His disciples of old, "Behold, I give you power . . . over *all the power of the enemy*." Although twelve spies were sent out by Moses, God blessed and honored only the two who brought back a good report. He will also honor and bless those to-day who bring in good reports.

DELLA WALLACE,

*Corresponding Secretary.*

A SINGULAR shrub called "the sorrowful tree" grows on an island near the city of Bombay, India. At sunset no flowers are to be seen, but half an hour later the tree is full of blossoms. These yield a sweet odor; but when the sun begins to shine on them, they either fall off or close up; and thus it continues flowering in the night during the whole year. Thus some Christians never exhibit the beauties of Christianity in the sunny hours of prosperity, who, when some bright hope has set and the shadows fallen, show many sweet Christian graces. Sunshine is not always good for saints.—*Pulpit Treasury.*

"GOOD works are the evidence of salvation, not the condition or the means."

AFTER the meetings in Dubuque, mentioned in my last report, I went to Waukon and held meetings with the church there August 23-25. This was formerly my home church, as we lived near there some years ago. Our meetings were well attended. The members of the church seemed to be of good courage, and the Spirit of the Lord was near to us in our meetings. Six persons were received into the church, two by vote and four by baptism. I was pleased to see familiar faces, so well known in days of yore, also to form new acquaintances among those who have recently embraced the present truth. This church was the former home of Elds. E. P. Butler, J. N. Andrews, Geo. I. Butler, C. F. Stevens, and E. W. Farnsworth, and many others who were warm-hearted in the third angel's message, some of whom have "fallen at their posts," and now rest, to have a part in the first resurrection.

C. A. WASHBURN.

## THE FLIGHT OF TIME.

ON September 5 I separated from my companions in labor at Sioux Rapids, to take up my winter's work elsewhere. It seems hardly possible that nearly twelve weeks have passed since we began our work there, so rapid has been the flight of time. But, though rapid in passing, these weeks have, through the blessing of God, brought light to some souls who now rejoice in the truth. The temporal winds have been held, and not a meeting was disturbed by storm, though the summer was very warm. Spiritual winds have blown, but the truth has suffered no harm. Several sermons were delivered against us, and the town was canvassed for tracts to which our workers are not strangers; but we feel no fear for the truth. "If God be for us, who can be against us?" "The commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus" (Rev. 12:17) were the points of attack, emphasizing the fact that the wrath of the dragon is rising. Let the remnant be of good cheer, for deliverance draweth near.

A full statement of results can not be given as yet; for, though the summer is past, the harvest is not ended. Fifteen signed the covenant for the first time, and three have been reclaimed from the world. Two others

are keeping the commandments, and quite a large number are in the valley of decision, for whom we hope and pray. A good interest to hear yet remains, which is being followed up with Bible readings and occasional public meetings. Liberal use has been made of literature in our work, both as sales and gifts. About forty subscriptions have been obtained for our papers.

Personally, this has been the best summer in my experience. I am thankful for the presence and blessing of God in the work, and also for the pleasant association of Brn. C. W. Heald and Chas. Rentfro, whose faithful efforts have added much to the success of the work. They now bear the responsibility of further developing the company and interest. The door is yet open for earnest personal work in many homes. May God bless and guide these brethren as they continue their work. B. E. FULLMER.

## OBITUARY.

COCKRELL.—Died August 12, 1901, near Eddyville, Iowa, Georgie Jacob Cockrell, aged 8 years, 10 months, and 10 days.

He attended our Sabbath-school at Eddyville with his mother, who is a member of the church. He was sick less than two weeks. Congestion of the lungs was the cause of his death. He leaves a father, mother, brother, and sister to mourn. The funeral was conducted by the writer.

W. M. ADAMS.

HOLCOMB.—Died at the home of Bro. and Sister Geo. Eymmer, of Red Oak, Iowa, Aug. 17, 1901, of quick consumption. Mrs. Hannah Holcomb, aged 45 years and 23 days.

At an early age she gave her heart to the Lord, was baptized, and joined the Baptist church at Village Creek, Iowa. Later on she accepted the third angel's message, was re-baptized, and joined the S. D. Adventist church. Six years ago she was united in marriage to Reuben Holcomb. They first made their home in Adel, but later on moved to College View, Nebraska. The last two or three months of her life they were with her sister Mrs. E. G. Olsen, of Atlantic, and Bro. Eymmer, of Red Oak. Sister Holcomb was a member of the Adel S. D. Adventist church and a very conscientious Christian, careful to live the truth on all points, and had no doubt as to her acceptance with God. It was her delight to meet with the children of God and share their trials and blessings. Her hope in God was firm to the last, and she bore her sickness with Christian fortitude and fell peacefully asleep in Jesus. She was able to be around a little every day until within two days of her death. A husband, mother, two brothers, and two sisters, and a large circle of friends are left to mourn, but not without hope. Verily, it can be said of her, "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord." She was buried in the Red Oak cemetery, with appropriate services.

E. G. OLSEN.

**THE BOOK WORK.**

For the BULLETIN.

**SEED SOWING.**

(Concluded from last week.)

THE sowing of the seed in the various ways has assumed such a position at the present time that there are none who need be excused. All can have a part. Even children should be educated so that their hearts will be drawn out to engage in this work. Their little minds can be trained to love to work for the Master. A little ten-year-old girl once came to me and said, "Josie wants to join the tract society." Josie was her little brother, two years of age. At that time the price of membership to the society was one dollar. I asked her what she would say if when Josie had grown up he should decide not to spend his money in that manner. After thinking a moment she said, "Well, he ought to join." It was after this that Josie came to me with one dollar and said, "I want you to take this and put it into the tract society, so I can see some souls saved when Jesus comes." That spirit and disposition was worth more than thousands of dollars in gold and silver. With those thoughts in his heart, should he die he would awake in the resurrection and look for the souls saved through the work of the tract society.

Educate your children to take an interest in missionary work. This can not be done unless the parents are aroused to its importance. To this end we appeal to our brethren and sisters to take a part in this effort. Let none be satisfied until the missionary spirit is breathed in every S. D. Adventist home. It is time for the Lord to work; people have made void the law of God; the reaping is soon to come, and let none be a fruitless stalk at that time. Now is the sowing time, after which will come the harvest. None will reap who do not sow. It is God that co-operates and makes the human effort a success. S. N. HASKELL.

**CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING SEPT. 7, 1901.**

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
<b>THE COMING KING.</b>				
H. P. Hansen.....	29	8	\$ 8.50	\$ .80
Belle Rame.....	13	10	14.00	
Tilda Ward.....	29	5	5.00	.70

**HERALDS OF THE MORNING.**

J. B. Myers.....	37	1	\$ 1.25	\$1.60
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**DELIVERIES.**

	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lest.
Lewis Hillard.....	42	\$77.25		3
Louis Manfull.....	10	14.00	\$ 1.75	

**SUMMARY.**

No. of agents.....	6
" " orders.....	24
Value of ".....	\$ 28.75
" " helps sold.....	\$ 4.85
Total value.....	\$ 33.60
Value of deliveries.....	\$ 91.25

**THE SANITARIUM.**

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

**HEALTH HINTS.**

INACTIVITY has hastened to a premature grave many who might have given to the world the rich experience of a lifetime, had they the constitution which might have been theirs by proper physical training. A weakened constitution is sometimes inherited; but we need not calmly sit down and say, "My grandparents were sickly and I'm just like them." No; study the proper way of living, then do something, and the tendency to ill health will vanish like the morning dew in the sunshine.

Fresh air, abundance of sunshine, pure water, good food, and sufficient exercise are the factors which figure in the development of a strong, healthy body.

If we were shut off from a supply of fresh air, we would soon perish from lack of oxygen, and carbon-dioxide poisoning. Shut off from sunshine, we would wither and droop as the pale, sickly plant in the cellar. Without water, we would spend a few miserable hours of existence, and die in agony. Without good food, our bodies would be so weakened that we would become an easy prey for disease. But if all these necessary factors were in abundance and we did not exercise, physical decay would soon begin, and our bodies would not be able to resist disease.

**NOTES.**

DR. DAVID PAULSON visited the Sanitarium last Friday, and attended a Board meeting.

MRS. D. C. MCGEE spent a few days here last week visiting her daughter Mrs. Eva Shively.

SEVERAL more patients arrived during the week, thus filling the house to the utmost capacity.

THE Sanitarium was the recipient of a beautiful sword fern and two palms as a gift from Mr. E. C. Keck, a florist of Washington, Iowa, who has remembered the institution in like manner before.

DR. W. B. HOLDEN, of Chicago, spent Sunday at the Sanitarium, performing several surgical operations. He has just returned from Europe, where he made a special study of surgery, and gave an interesting account of his trip to the Sanitarium family in the parlor during the evening.

**THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.**

CONDUCTED BY A. HELEN WILCOX.

**THE WATERLOO CAMP-MEETING INGATHERING SERVICE.**

SUNDAY, September 8, at 4 P. M., the campers assembled in the large pavilion to witness the exercises prepared for this occasion. It was very wet and gloomy without; but the happy faces of the children, set in frames of Nature's own coloring, made a bright picture within,—one long to be remembered by those present. The vines, grasses, and bright leaves were so arranged as to turn the stage into a veritable bower. Under this sat the children and youth, about fifty in number, who were to take part in the exercises. Songs of praise, recitations, and Bible nature studies followed each other in rapid succession. The gathering of the free-will offerings was a very pretty and interesting exercise. The children marched in a circle, singing, "Hear the Pennies Dropping;" and as each one came to the basket, he dropped in his offering. Then all stood and sang, while baskets were passed in the audience. The offerings amounted to \$21.35.

One of the most interesting features of the exercises was a talk by Mrs. Butz, one of our missionaries recently returned from the Society Islands. She gave an interesting description of the work in the Islands, detailing some of the difficulties which hinder the progress of the message there. They found some faithful souls who were hungering for the Word of Life, and who are now holding up the banner of light in that distant field.

We feel that this service was not only interesting but very profitable as well. God surely blesses the efforts put forth by the consecrated workers in behalf of the youth and children. Immediately following this service a number of the children followed their Lord into the watery grave. Thus we see them being gathered in one by one, that they may be prepared for the great and final ingathering of the Lord. May we all be there.

DELLA WALLACE.

IT is only about four weeks now until the feast of tabernacles will be held in all our Sabbath-schools. We trust that all are making special preparation for this service. Let old and young have a part in it; and let all the people come before the Lord with joyful hearts, making a grateful offering to Him for His blessings to us throughout the year. A. H. W.

## Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPT. 17, 1901.

—RUTHVEN general meeting, Sept. 25-29.

—SOUTH-WESTERN camp-meeting, Woodbine, Harrison county, Oct. 1-6.

—ELD. L. F. STARR spent last Thursday in Des Moines in counsel with the workers here.

—BRO. CHAS. HEALD called last Friday evening, on his way from Sioux Rapids to Fairfield.

—BRO. AND SISTER B. J. CADY sailed the 16th for Tahiti, Society Islands, to renew their mission work.

—MISS RACHEL MCGEE, of Iowa, has just returned to Montana, to act as principal of the Darby school another year.—*Montana Bivouac.*

—ELD. N. C. BERGERSEN is attending the fall camp-meetings, and finds many interested hearers among the Danish speaking people.

—We are now prepared to furnish agents with the prospectus for "Marvel of Nations." The book itself will be ready about the middle of this month.

—We are glad to welcome our old Iowa friends, Bro. and Sister F. M. Corbaley, recently from Galesburg, Illinois, to the work in our State. They are located at 1523 Main St., Davenport, Iowa.

—BRO. ARTHUR RHOADS stopped at the Sanitarium last Thursday night. He has charge of the pitching of tents and other preliminary arrangements for the fall camp-meetings, and was en route to Fairfield.

—MRS. A. M. CORBIT writes from Hagerman, New Mexico: "We prize the weekly visits of the BULLETIN. It brings us words of cheer from former friends. We are glad Iowa is doing so much to help pay the denominational debts. We expect our daughter Ora home from Guadalajara, Mexico, about the 20th."

—A RECOMMENDATION offered by the Iowa Conference that Eld. E. G. Olsen make Scandinavia his field of labor has been accepted by the General Conference, and Eld. Olsen and his family are preparing to answer the call. They reached this city last Thursday, and will be detained here for a time while their son David is under Sanitarium care. Eld. Olsen spent last Sabbath at Colfax.

—MARRIED, at the residence of the bride's parents, in Iconium, Iowa, Sept. 1, 1901, Mr. Stanley E. McNeill, of College View, Neb., and Miss Bertha E. Payne, Eld. W. B. Everhart officiating. The ceremony was witnessed by a large circle of friends and relatives. After partaking of a bountiful repast, the company passed to the parlor, where the newly married couple were the recipients of many valuable gifts. The excellent and appropriate music rendered added to the enjoyment of the occasion. These highly esteemed young people will locate in College View, Bro. McNeill to resume his duties as instructor in penmanship and book-keeping in Union College. The BULLETIN extends congratulations.

—We call special attention to the article on the reading circle work in this issue. Do we all fully realize the importance of systematic Bible study? "The question is asked, What is the cause of the dearth in the church? The answer is, We allow our minds to be drawn away from the word... The Bible is God's voice speaking to us, just as surely as though we could hear it with our ears. If we realized this, with what awe would we open God's word, and with what earnestness would we search its precepts!"—*Test. Vol. 6*, Shall we not all be ready to begin the line of study marked out for the reading circle with the first lesson?

—If you have not already called the attention of your friends and neighbors to the important subjects considered in the Wealth and War Number of the *Signs*, do not delay in using this another means of sounding the warning message. Send for a supply at once. Price 2 cents per copy. The new tract "Sound an Alarm" may also be handed out with each copy of the *Signs*. Price 1 cent per copy, with forty per cent discount on orders for twenty-five or more.

—PEOPLE are beginning to plan for holiday gifts. Many of them would gladly purchase some of the books handled by us. Who will give them this opportunity? Those who engage in this good work will not only have the satisfaction of circulating good Christian literature, but will receive a liberal commission as well. Address this Office for terms and territory.

—MISS DELLA WALLACE, our Corresponding Secretary, went from the Waterloo camp-meeting to visit relatives at Laporte. She is in attendance at the Fairfield camp-meeting this week.

—"THE Story of Daniel the Prophet." Many authors have written on the prophecies of Daniel; but as this is one of the most important books of the Bible, we believe that there is a wide field that has not been fully covered by other writers. This book is the fruit of many years of close Bible study and careful research, and is written in an easy and attractive manner that will interest the old as well as the young. It contains 295 pages, and is neatly bound in cloth. Price, 75 cents, subject to trade book discount.

—"THE House We Live In" is a book for children, old and young, teaching many wonderful things about the human body. A mother has many interesting talks with her children, and in the course of their conversation they learn how the body is made and its proper care. This book is an especial favorite among temperance people, as it devotes several chapters to the harmful effects of alcohol and tobacco. Attractively illustrated with original drawings. Price, 75 cents.

—BRO. AND SISTER G. R. HAWKINS make a special request for clean, late copies of *Our Little Friend* and the *Youth's Instructor*, to assist them in starting their new Sabbath-school. They can also use the *Signs* and *Review*. Please address them at Ida Grove, Iowa.

—THE offerings in Iowa for the Skodsborg Sanitarium should be sent to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines. A notation of the same, showing the amount from each church and company, will appear in due time.

—"EVERY penny used unnecessarily deprives the spender of a precious opportunity for doing good. It is robbing God of the honor and glory which should flow back to him through the improvement of his entrusted talents."

—AN interesting letter from our workers in the South will appear next week.

—"PRAYER without practice is mockery."

### QUARTERLY MEETING.

DAVIS CITY, Oct. 5, 1901.

All members are requested to report in person or by letter, as this will be a very important meeting on account of the election of church officers. Brethren and sisters, come praying that this may be the best meeting of the kind ever held at Davis City.

P. KIRK, *Elder.*