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## THE CAMP-MEETING.

The State camp-meeting was held according to appointment in College Park, just west of the city of Ames, which proved a very desirable location. A well had been driven by the owner of the ground especially for our benefit. The electric light company nicely illuminated the grounds free of charge.

The meeting was a success from the beginning, and many were the expressions of gratitude. In all of the conference meetings there was general agreement; and the confidence of the people in those who have been directing in the work during the past year was manifested in the re-election of the president, vice-president, conference committee, secretary, and treasurer.

We are sure that this meeting will mark an onward move in the work in this State.

L. F. TRUBEY.

## AN OASIS IN THE DESERT.

Such was the encampment of Israel at Ames to all who attended. The preaching generally was of a practical nature, and the burden of those leading out in the services was that every soul surrender all and become a channel of light. Many precious thoughts were brought out, and Israel was encouraged to move forward: A noticeable feature of the baptismal services was that of some fifty candidates, nearly all were youth and children. After the regular evening service the last night of the meeting, the jubilee song was rebearsed, and not a few did their parts well. Thus the meeting closed and we broke camp, never to meet again under exactly like conditions; but may every all tent on the highlands of heaven.

WORDS OF ADMONITION.

ELMSHAVEN, ST. HELENA, CAL.

Dear Brethren and Sisters of the Iowa Conference: I am instructed to say to you, that, as Christians, it is your privilege to bring practical religion into the home, the neighborhood, the church, and the institutions that have been established among you to advance the Lord's work in this earth. God's people are to reveal the attributes of Christ,-the tenderness, the compassion, the unselfish generosity that He always manifested toward the poor, the distressed, and the needy. "Whose hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?" Let there be no shutting up of the bowels of compassion from him: for those who do this are deprived of the Spirit of God.

In many, the absence of a Christlike spirit has been very marked. Many who claim to follow Christ have not His fragrance of character. By performing deeds of mercy, and by speaking words of kindness that are like apples of gold in pictures of silver, they could exert an elevating influence over those with whom they come in contact; but too often their words are harsh, their actions unbecoming a God can not approve of Christian. wrong words and actions, for they are an offense to Him. He calls for a decided and thorough change. The time is very near when these matters will be adjusted by One whom none can evade. In the day of judgment everything will be put on its proper basis.

## THE SIN OF SELFISHNESS.

All sin is selfishness. Satan's first sin was a manifestation of selfishness. He sought to grasp power, to exalt self. A species of insanity led him to seek to supersede God. And the temptation that led Adam to sin was Satan's declaration that it was possible for man to attain to something more than

he already enjoyed, possible for him to be as God Himself. The sowing of seeds of selfishness in the human heart was the first result of the entrance of sin into the world. God desires every one to understand the evil of selfishness, and to co operate with Him in guarding the human family against its terrible, deceptive powers. The design of the gospel is to confront this evil by means of remedial missionary work, and to destroy its destructive power by establishing enterprises of benevolence.

As a remedy for the terrible consequences into which selfishness led the human race, God gave His only begotten Son to die for mankind. could He have given more? In this gift He gave Himself. "I and My Father are one," said Christ. By the gift of His Son, God has made it possible for man to be redeemed and restored to oneness with Him. "God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Love is the great principle that actuates unfallen beings. With amazement the angels behold the indifference that those who have light and knowledge manifest toward a world unsaved. The heavenly host are filled with an intense desire to work through human agencies to restore in man the image of God. They are ready and waiting to do this work. The combined power of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost is pledged to uplift man from his fallen state. Every attribute, every power of divinity has been placed at the command of those who unite with the Saviour in winning men to God. O, that all would appreciate the truth as it is in Jesus. O. that all would love God in return for the love wherewith He has loved them.

Sin has extinguished the love that God placed in man's heart. The work of the church is to rekindle this love. The church is to co-operate with God by uprooting selfishness from the human heart, placing in its stead the be-

nevolence that was in man's heart in his original state of perfection.

CHRIST OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

I am sorry that so many are doubtful in regard to justification by faith, and that some are standing in opposition to the light that God has given on this subject. Sinners are committed for trial. They must answer the charge of transgressing God's law. Their only hope is to accept Jesus Christ, their Substitute. He has redeemed the fallen race from the curse of the law, having been made sin .- a curse,-for them. Nothing but the grace of Christ is sufficient to free the transgressor from bondage. Through His grace those who are obedient to God's commandments are made free. If sinners repent their pardon is procured through the merits of Christ. Those who understand this matter in its true bearing will more fully comprehend the glorious, wondrous plan of salvation. They will not desire to argue just what is meant by Christ being our righteousness, nor will they desire to try to explain questions that do not in any way make more plain the terms of salvation. It is not essential to understand the precise particulars in regard to the relation of the two laws. It is of far greater consequence that we know whether we are justified or condemned by the holy precepts of

Carelessness in regard to the principles that must be brought into the life-practice is a fatal mistake, and needs special attention. He who is safe must set things right in his own heart. In the days of Christ the religious leaders neglected the weightier matters of the law for matters of minor importance. The Saviour reproved them, saying: "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone. Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel."

Some in our day by their attitude toward the law as revealed in Galatians have brought a sad chapter into their life-experience. Let none repeat the past. Let none indulge in speculative theories, or call attention to things that do not pertain to the solemn work of deciding their own eternal destiny. The twenty-third chapter of Matthew describes the condition of those who are so blinded spiritually

that they can not discern the relative importance of things which they should understand. Christ's righteousness has been misrepresented by some in positions of responsibility, who, supposing they were doing God's service, have done things which show that they were spiritually blind. Men have been overbearing and imperious in spirit; and their wrong course of action, their lack of principle, will cause them to be denounced by the Lord, as surely as the Pharisees were denounced. The woes that fell on the Pharisees will as verily fall on all who are engaged in a like work unless they repent.

Because the spiritual eyesight of some in positions of trust has been dimmed, God's great and sacred work has been neglected. By their deeds some have shown that they have not been actuated by right principles. They have not revealed love and mercy, and the love of God. They have not given practical evidence of love for their brethren. While very scrupulous about little matters, making a man an offender for a word, they have not scrupled to deal unjustly with the Lord's heritage. Thus they have committed sins that are great in His sight. They have tampered with the conscience, and by subtle reasoning have made imaginary distinctions between the degrees of guilt of various transactions. Lightly passing over very serious wrongs, they have condemned with very great severity wrongs that do not begin to compare with their own sin in cherishing and working ou wrong principles. They should remember that righteousness exalts a nation and that sin brings its reward, and this is as true of individuals as of nations.

My brethren and sisters in Iowa, with humble, contrite hearts, study your Bibles. That which is revealed in the Scriptures is for you and your children. Eat the Word and digest it, for it is the Bread of Life. Do not be eager to know something in regard to things which are not revealed. Some do not seem to comprehend that which is plainly opened before them in the Scriptures concerning their salvation, and, as a result, their religious life is greatly deficient. If they would study and obey the Word of God their minds would not be so full of conjectures in regard to things which they need not understand.

In every place God is working to bring men to a knowledge of God and His righteousness. He speaks to them in His Word. The Bible is the key which unlocks the mysteries which it is essential for human beings to understand in order to know what they must do to gain eternal life. The Bible is its own expositor. Its bright beams are to shine in all parts of the world that sin may be revealed. The Bible is a chart pointing out the waymarks of truth. Those who are acquainted with this chart will be enabled to tread with certainty the path of duty wherever they may be called to go.

Let us notice the answer that the Divine Teacher gave to the lawyer who asked, "What shall I do to inherit eternal life?" "He said unto him. What is written in the law? how readest thou? And he answering said. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul. and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbor as thyself." "Thou hast answered right," Christ said, "this do, and thou shalt live. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbor?" In answer Christ gave the parable of the good Samaritan, relating an incident which had actually taken place. "A certain man," He said, "went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment, and wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. And by chance there came down a certain priest that way: and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. And likewise a Levite, when he was at the place, came and looked on him, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow, when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him. Take care of him: and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbor unto him which fell among the thieves? And he said, He that showed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him, Go, and do thou likewise." In this parable are summed up all the principles contained in the law of God. On every hand we can see the terrible results of the selfishness which led Adam to transgress God's law. The taking of the forbidden fruit, seemingly so small a matter, resulted in opening the floodgates of woe upon the world. To this transgression can be traced all the violence and the crime now existing. And when in this age of the world the principles of justice and mercy are in any way violated in word or deed there is committed a sin of far greater magnitude than the sin that was committed in Eden; for sin was a new thing to our first parents.

My dear brethren and sisters in Iowa, determine to reveal Christ's righteousness more fully than you have revealed it in the past. Determine to show that you are not of this world, but of the kingdom of heaven. You are in danger of losing a rich experience. Will you not cultivate the grace of God in your hearts? Let not selfishness springing from self-love separate you from one another and from God. Bind yourselves to one another by the cords of Christian benevolence. If faithful you will hear from the Saviour's lips the words: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

"A MAN is no worse because he disagrees with me. His agreeing with me makes him no better. It is his relation to right and good and truth which affects his character, not his relation to me. Moreover, a man is not less my friend if he disagrees with me. His disagreement with me may be the best proof of his friendship: his expressed agreement with me in all things may be a matter of policy."

ELLEN G. WHITE.

## THE BOOK WORK.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR TWO WEEKS ENDING AUG. 29, 1902.

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#### THE SANITARIUM.

CONDUCTED BY EMMA A. PERRINE, M. D.

#### SOME HELPFUL HINTS.

What can we do to prevent the dysentery so prevalent at present? and what treatment can we employ to get rid of it? Dysentery is caused by a special bacillus which is communicated to us through some article of food or drink. Drinking water from shallow wells is likely to contain this bacillus, as also vegetables and fruits when used in a raw state. Milk is another frequent source of communication. With this disease, the old, wise saying, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," is timely. "The Lord will not work a miracle to keep in health those who willfully disobey the laws of health." All drinking water which is suspected of being contaminated should be boiled, and all milk should be sterilized. Milk kept at a temperature of 180° for one-half hour will be free from all harmful bacilli. Raw fruit should be fresh and ripe and should be washed clean, and pared when possible. All cooked food will of course be free from contamination if used soon after being cooked.

If these precautions are taken, especially at the season of the year when dysentery or typhoid fever is prevalent, the causes of these diseases will be removed.

Now as to the treatment: Go to bed immediately when the attack comes on, and remain there until the trouble is gone. Eat and drink very sparingly. Nothing but browned flour gruel, made with boiled milk and cooked thoroughly, should be used. Hot enemas and starch and tannin enemas should be employed. The latter are prepared thus: To one pint of thin corn starch water well boiled, add one teaspoonful of tannin. This is to be given after the hot injection, and retained for fifteen minutes. This treatment should be employed about four times daily. Very hot, long continued fomentations should be given over the abdomen. Hot foot baths are excellent. It is also well to give one teaspoonful of bismuth subnitrate three times a day.

"THE best way to watch for the Lord is to be doing the tasks he has set to your hands."

"STUDY that marvelous organism, the human system, and the laws by which it is governed."

#### THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. FLORA V. DORCAS.

#### OPPORTUNITIES.

THERE is work for all in the cause of God. Many are waiting for "opportunities," when there are opportunities about them on every side. Our constant aim should be to make the most of circumstances. "The cause of God demands men who can see quickly and act instantaneously, at the right time and with power."

"During one of the great battles of the civil war, a recruit who had become separated from his company in the tumult of strife, approached Gen. Sheridan and timidly asked where he should 'step in.'

"'Step in?' thundered Sheridan, in a voice that frightened the already terrified recruit almost as much as the roar of cannonading and musketry. 'Step in anywhere; there's fighting all along the line.'"

"A heavy piece of machinery was being moved into a building by means of a block and tackle. Suddenly one of the ropes parted and the machine began to slide backward. The two men who had charge of the work sprang to stay its progress, but it was more than they were capable of doing.

"Give us a lift!" one of them shouted to a bystander.

"Where shall I take hold?" asked the man thus addressed, unmindful of the fact that both men were exerting every muscle to control the machine and that there was not a second to lose.

"Grab hold anywhere!" yelled the mover.

"But another had already seen the necessity for instant action, and rendered the necessary assistance."

Are you waiting for a place to work for the Lord?—Take for your motto, Sheridan's words, "Step in anywhere; there's fighting all along the line." Be active,—activity is life. This is well illustrated by the following verses:—

Said the boy to the brook that was rippling away,

"Oh, little brook, pretty brook, will you not stay?

Oh, stay with me! Play with me, all the day long!

And sing in my ears your sweet murmuring song."

Said the brook to the boy, as it hurried away,
"Is it just for my music you ask me to stay?
I was silent until from the hillside I gushed.
Should I pause for an instant my song would
be hushed."

-Selected.

## Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, SEPT. 9, 1902.

 A LOCAL camp-meeting will be held at Carbon, Sept. 30 to Oct. 5, 1902.

—ELD. W. B. EVERHART has disposed of his property near Yates Center, Kansas, and returned to Iowa. He is now located at Sac City.

—As the Scandinavian and German editions of "Christ's Object Lessons" are dedicated to the work in Europe, they do not count on Iowa's quota for Union College.

—The communication from Sister E. G. White published in this number of the Bulletin was read at one of the morning meetings at camp-meeting, and is now published that all may have it to study.

—Mr. E. W. Warner, of Wadena, and Miss Anna Johnson, of Exira, were united in marriage at Ames, Friday, Sept. 5, 1902. May they ever walk so humbly before the Master that He can bless them in their life work.

—Bro. And Sister Adolph Pfeiffer, of Battle Creek, Michigan, have been visiting at the home of the latter's parents, Bro. and Sister Lewis Willson, of State Center. Bro. Pfeiffer met and exchanged greetings with a number of friends and acquaintances on the camp-ground at Ames.

—Those from outside the State in attendance at the State camp-meeting and assisting in the services, were Elds. A. G. Daniells, C. T. Russell, C. McReynolds, L. A. Hoopes, W. H. Wakeham, A. R. Hyatt, and Lewis Johnson; and Brn. A. O. Wilson, editor of the *Christian Record*; and B. O. Wade, recently returned from Japan.

-"THINGS Foretold" is the name of a book just published by the Pacific Press Publishing Company, the purpose of which is to give lessons in prophecy for the children. In the main, it is a study of the book of Daniel, written in a manner that will interest the children and youth; and should we not endeavor to fill the minds of our children with prophetic truth, and thus fortify them against the wiles of the enemy? The book is similar in size and shape to "Best Stories." Price, in board covers, 50 cents. In combination, it and the Little Friend for one year may be secured for 75 cents. Address orders to this Office.

-"One can not exhaust a diamond; neither can one exhaust the prophecies. New facets remain to be polished to add their brilliant reflection to the whole. In the prophecies as many features appear as there are different temperaments that men bring to their study." Those who have "Daniel and the Revelation" need not hesitate to buy "Story of Daniel the Prophet." You will not be buying the same book with a different name. The marginal arrangement of the texts in the latter book is peculiarly attractive and pleasing. It is a good book for the youth, Price, 75 cents. Address this Office.

—A copy of the "Eighth Annual Annual Converse of the Oakwood Industrial School for the Colored," at Huntsville, Alabama, is upon our table. With interest we note the general plan and purpose of the school, also that as their library is small, they will "gladly receive additions of any good standard books, including our denominational books, especially 'Patriarchs and Prophets,' 'Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation,' 'Great Controversy,' and 'The Two Republics.'"

—The correspondence department of the Sanitarium Medical Missionary Training School will begin a new class the first of October. Lessons on eleven subjects are sent weekly to students. The tuition fee is three dollars. They will be glad to hear from all who are interested. A descriptive circular giving full particulars will be sent free on application. Address Correspondence Department Sanitarium Training School, Battle Creek, Michigan.

—Those who heard our blind brother, Bro. Dennis Hurley, of What Cheer, Iowa, relate at camp-meeting how, under many difficulties, he and his wife started out to canvass for "Object Lessons," will be glad to respond to their call for periodicals for distribution. They can make use of a good supply. Please send postpaid to their address as above.

—The medical work was well represented at the camp-meeting. Drs. J. H. Kellogg, David and Mamie Paulson, Sarah I. Goodison, J. D. Shively, Emma A. Perrine, R. C. Mantz, Amelia A. Zipf, and B. E. Fullmer were in attendance and rendered efficient help both spiritually and physically.

—We expect to publish next week a synopsis of the secretary's report of the business sessions of the Conference. It is quite impossible to get the matter ready for publication this week.

—The publishers inform us that a number of subscriptions to the Signshave recently expired and the names have been dropped from the list. If your name is one of those dropped, do you not wish to renew your subscription? Send your order to this Office.

#### THE OCTOBER "LIFE BOAT."

GENUINE home making is rapidly becoming a lost art. A wretched home is in some respects a greater curse than a saloon, brothel, or a gambling den, for it makes business for them all. Many homes need to pass from sinful, human management to divine management. Many are bitterly disappointed with the failures they have made in trying to build up ideal homes. God pities them and is ready to help them. We shall have no better churches or institutions until wehave better homes, and this has led us to issue the October Life Boat as a special Home and Social Purity Number. Containing choice articles from the pens of such experienced workers as Eld. A. T. Jones, Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kellogg, Mrs. W. S. Sadler, Fannie Emmel, and others, it will be a message of hope and instruction to thousands of homes. Pray over this matter, and if the Lord so impresses you, send us the namesand addresses of all homes in your community that you feel would be helped by this issue, and a two-cent stamp for each name. Or order a supply and deliver them personally. Address The Life Boat, 28 33d Place, Chicago, Illinois.

### ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR FRANCE.

Following are the names of donors to this fund who have responded to the call for help for this most worthy cause since our last notation:—

Dennis Hurley, 50 cents: Lydia Field, \$1.00; total amount contributed, \$325.59.

Send all donations to Missionary Department Iowa Conference, 603 E. 12th St., Des Moines.

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