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WE KNOW NOT.

"We little dream of the conflict
Fought in each human soul,
And earth knows not of her heroes
Upon God's honor roll."

WHAT SHALL THE HARVEST BE?

"He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man." "But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat." From this it is evident that *two* husbandmen are interested in this world's harvest,—the Son of man, and his enemy, the devil.

It is determined by man's choice, and patient continuance therein, whether that harvest be golden grain, or only tares. The irrevocable decree is that "Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Then, how carefully should the sowing be done! How vigilant the watching be, lest we use seed out of the enemy's granary!

The faithful Husbandman calls to his servant, Go, and he goeth; to another, Come, and he cometh; and to still another, Do this, and he doeth it. Are you, my brother, my sister, one of these servants? Or, are you seeking excuses because of this or that which you think must needs be done?

The other master, assuming like authority, bids for our service. He says, Your circumstances excuse you from that duty, and he offers an easier (?) way. But, "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom

ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?"

Do you realize, dear reader, that the sowing is almost done, that the time of reaping is nearly here? Witness the calls from the south, from the east, and from the west, saying, Come Now as the Husbandman, whose we are and whom we serve, says, by his gentle Spirit, Go, are we *going*? And when he says, Do this, shall we be found *doing*?

The third angel's message is fast ripening the wheat,—developing a class who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. The forces of darkness are fulfilling Joel 3:9—14 in preparing war, waking the heathen, and gathering the nations to the battle of that great day. The war cloud in the East is growing dark and threatening. The world is putting its means into the treasury, to be destroyed in battle. Who among God's servants has the means to help finish the gospel proclamation? Has he not given to each one of us, to *you* and *me*, a part in this work? Let us not sleep as do others; but prayerfully consider the calls to serve, and decide just where and what our responsibility is, and so act that it may be said to us, Well done, good and faithful servant. Let me invite you to carefully consider the resolutions adopted at our camp-meeting, particularly Nos. 5 and 8, in BULLETIN of June 12. These provide for systematic effort in our home field in the sale of our books, tracts, and periodicals, especially for the selling of that new book, "Christ's Parables and Object Lessons." I feel sure all will see the wisdom of taking up this line of missionary work, and report for duty as far as is practicable.

Yours for His sake,

E. E. GARDNER.

A TESTIMONY FROM OUR SOUTHERN WORKERS.

THE following letter from Sisters Mollie Long and Minnie Beaman, which was read at the opening session of the Conference, will be of interest to those who were not permitted to be with us. It was written from Wilmington, N. C., May 28, 1900.

"Dear Brethren and Sisters Assembled, Greeting: This is the first day of the workers' meeting, and in our minds we can see you all gathered to seek the Lord at this another annual meeting. We need not tell you that we would enjoy meeting with you. We have always looked forward to such gatherings as a 'feast of good things.' The coming of the Lord never seemed so near and dear; the work and souls never seemed so great as now. Never did we know our need of Divine help as now, but we are sure that we have the help so much needed in this great and needy field. We are seeking to heed the warnings the Lord has sent us.

"This field is in need of *consecrated* farmers, teachers, families, Bible workers, canvassers, ministers, and nurses; for soon the harvest will be past, the summer ended, and many souls lost. O, that some consecrated souls in Iowa may hear the 'Macedonian cry,' and come over and help us. Now we do not refer to Wilmington alone, but to the twenty million souls who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

"Truly, the Lord has gone in advance of us, and prepared the way. We find a welcome in many homes. Many say they believe the coming of the Lord is near. We know the Lord is going to give us fathers, mothers, brothers, and sisters; for he hath promised. Our Sabbath-school has increased to eight members. The

rack has been in use eighteen days, and two hundred and seven papers have been used. We thank you for papers received. Friends in Battle Creek, Michigan, have sent us a barrel of literature. We are well and happy to be in this part of the Lord's great harvest field. Sin abounds, but grace doth much more abound. May the Spirit and power of God rest upon the encampment."

ANOTHER INTERESTING LETTER FROM
THE SOUTH.

Six weeks ago the Lord brought me to this very needy field, and each day has been laden with precious blessings and experiences. The Lord comes very near. Twenty families are on my list for readings each week, while Sister Long is equally busy. Some ministers object to their members having readings. Last night, as we read with the superintendent of one of the Sunday-schools, he said, "I can not see how any one could object to reading the Bible."

"Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee." Psa. 79:11. Sunday we were at the women's jail. Sixteen were in a dark, loathsome dungeon, without beds or chairs, and one was unable to sit up. She had one small blanket on that filthy floor for her bed. Not one of the inmates knew anything about Jesus. After holding up Christ to them, many said, "Pray for me." When we asked one poor soul how long it would take Jesus to forgive her sins, she said, "No longer than the twinkle of an eye."

We have spent a day on the ocean, which was one of rest. We saw much of the mighty power of God. "The Lord on high is mightier than the noise of many waters, yea, than the mighty waves of the sea." "So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable." I wish you all might see the porpoise riding the waves. As the tide came in, the waves gave Sister Long a good chase. The National Cemetery here contains over two thousand soldiers. We thought, Where are the Christian soldiers who are ready to lay down their lives to free those who are in the bondage of sin?

Sister Kane and Hazel left to-day for Battle Creek, but the promise is given to two. Many thanks to the camp-meeting children for their letter and \$1.35. The paper rack at the depot requires over sixty papers per week. Two yearly subscriptions have been taken for the *Review*, and some for the

Signs. One lady, after reading a copy of *Good Health*, asked us what to eat, and how to prepare wholesome food. A colored minister, who is reading "Desire of Ages," on learning of our mission, said, "I wish one thousand Iowa girls were in this city doing the same work." The Lord willing, we will attend camp-meeting at Greensborough, July 19-29. We are amidst the perils of the last days, but are rejoicing in the keeping power of God.

MINNIE BEAMAN.

419 Grace St., Wilmington, N. C.

THE "MISSIONARY MAGAZINE."

AFTER July 1 the price of the *Missionary Magazine* will be fifty cents per year; to foreign countries, seventy-five cents. This decision was reached at the recent meeting of the Foreign Mission Board, after carefully considering the question in all its phases.

The *Missionary Magazine* has been published at a loss from its first issue, this heritage having been received from the *Home Missionary*, out of which it emerged. The subscription list has more than doubled, and yet the cost of the paper has been about twice the subscription price, and it will be impossible to ever secure a list sufficiently large to make it self-supporting at twenty-five cents. Because of this, the price was raised to fifty cents, which will practically pay the cost of publication.

The *Magazine* has been before our people more than two years, so they can judge of its value. It has been printed on better paper than was the *Home Missionary*, and bound with good paper covers. And besides this it has been materially enlarged, and made more valuable by the addition of illustrations and other important information. It is the aim of the publishers to endeavor to increase, rather than diminish, its value.

We are now offering our people, for fifty cents a year, a good, forty-eight page monthly, equal in value and size to many missionary journals which range in price from seventy-five cents to one dollar and fifty cents.

The *Missionary Magazine* and *Sentinel of Liberty*—formerly the *American Sentinel*—will be clubbed together for \$1.25. Let all orders be sent as heretofore, either through the State society or direct to the Foreign Mission Board of Seventh day Adventists, Room 1906, 150 Nassau Street, New York, N. Y.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD.

UNION COLLEGE.

IOWA has stood nobly for Union College from the very beginning, but when that splendid enrollment of one hundred and sixteen students was brought in from your State during the past year, not only was its loyalty shown to the College, but it was demonstrated in a most convincing manner that the parents of our young people in your State intend to leave to their children that best of all legacies, a thorough Christian education. And as one evidence that this pays it is necessary only to note that Iowa has furnished a larger number of laborers, ministers, doctors, teachers, etc., than perhaps any other Conference in the denomination.

Union College is now entering upon its tenth year with prospects better than ever before. Our young people are being attracted here from all parts of the country. Young men are coming to study for the ministry, for medical work, or to fit themselves to become teachers in our colleges and other schools. During the past year more than fifty young women were attracted here especially by our splendid Teachers' Course. Other courses of study are as carefully arranged as is this one, and are attracting many students. Iowa is expected to lead out in this matter; and if all do their duty this summer, next year will witness an enrollment from your State of not less than one hundred and fifty earnest young men and women.

Send at once for a copy of the new Year Book with colored illustrations; also of the *Practical Educator*, our regular College paper. Write us at any time for any information you may desire concerning our work at the College, and we will be glad to answer any questions we can.

Address all communications to

W. T. BLAND, *College View, Neb.*

SPIRIT LAKE.

ELD. B. L. DIEFFENBACHER came to Orleans (a little hamlet on the Lake), and held services for nearly two weeks. His words were "meat" indeed to those who heard them. When the word of God is rightly divided, it proves to be the "sword of the Spirit," and is a savor either of life or death. One very wild, rough young man, who heard Bro. Dieffenbacher's last sermon, and at its close rejected the call of God, was drowned three or four days afterward while drunk. Surely, "he, that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy."

M. G. GORHAM.

OBITUARY.

TODD.—Early Wednesday morning, May 9, 1900, Pearl Todd, the beloved daughter of Thos. H. and Elizabeth T. Moore, quietly passed away with tuberculosis of the throat, aged 22 years, 2 months, and 21 days.

Dear Pearl did not belong to the church, but she was a firm believer in the truths for this time, and told the writer a short time before her death that her life was changed. She told others of the family that she wanted to get well so that she might study her Bible better than ever before, and live out what she had known was right. The last day of her dear life she wanted mother to sit beside her all day; and when necessary duties called mother away, she would immediately send for her, and when she came always greeted her with a smile. At one time during the day she said, "Mother, aren't you happy?" Mother said, "No, dear, indeed I am not happy;" for she knew her dear child's life was drifting away. Then Pearl said, "Why mother, I am happy, because Jesus is so good to me, and I am trusting him all the time." Her sickness was one of patient suffering and endurance, and she often said, "I know Jesus helps me." She had been married a little over seventeen months, and leaves a kind and devoted husband, also a mother, father, seven sisters, and two brothers, to mourn deeply their loss. But this loss is brightened with the "blessed hope" that Pearl will rise with the redeemed. May we who are left so live that we shall meet her where death and parting are unknown.

T. E. MOORE.

THE BOOK WORK.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS.

On taking up the canvassing work again in our State, Sister Pearl Bascom writes from Council Bluffs:—

"Sister Fuller and I are nicely located, and have begun work. I am glad to be in the field again, and never enjoyed the work as well as I do this year. While I realize to the fullest extent that I of myself can do nothing, I am impressed with the words of Hosea: 'It is time to seek the Lord, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.' We can impart to others only as we receive from the Lord. As we are nearing the heavenly Canaan, we should heed the parting instruction Moses gave to Joshua, 'Be strong and

of good courage.' Then, 'Be strong, all ye people of the land...., and work;' for 'the fields are white unto harvest.' Who will bear the sheaves away?"

BRO. O. C. MARKEL writes: "The Lord can impress people and use me to take the names and deliver the books. I am still of good courage. I desire to work *faithfully*, that the honest in heart may be warned."

CARRIE WALLACE sends words of good cheer. She says: "I am of good courage, and trust the Lord for success the coming week. We will be rewarded according to our *faithfulness*. My greatest desire is to be a *faithful* follower of Jesus."

MR. AND MRS. C. E. VOSBURG are located at Denison, and write: "We are truly glad to send you another report. We have found some honest souls, who are hungering for the truth. A lady and her sister seem anxious to learn, and one of them is reading 'Steps to Christ.' Pray for us that we may be able to lead them to accept the whole truth."

OUR canvassing force will now be strengthened by the addition of seven students from Union College: Misses Pearl D. Bascom and Hattie C. Fuller, Brn. E. A. Warner, Paul Curtis, and Elbridge Adams, and Bro. and Sister Vosburg.

QUITE a number of the canvassers were in attendance at the camp-meeting, thus the absence of so many names from the report this week.

CANVASSING REPORT FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 15, 1900.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
THE COMING KING.				
Susan Haskell.....	22	5	\$ 5.00	\$1.25
H. B. Tilden.....	15	12	12.00	2.25
Carrie Wallace.....	22	8	8.00	1.75
Nelle Schoberg.....	18	2	2.00	1.25
L. Alton June.....	42	19	19.00	1.75

DESIRE OF AGES AND COMING KING.				
*Mary L. Haskell.....	58	12	\$24.50	\$8.25
O. C. Markel.....	28	6	9.50	5.40

COMING KING AND GREAT CONTROVERSY.				
J. P. Gaede.....	16	2	\$ 3.25	\$1.50

HERALDS OF THE MORNING.				
Mary L. Christopher.....	16	3	\$ 4.00	\$1.25

PROPHECIES OF JESUS.				
C. E. Vosburg.....	33	2	\$ 3.50	\$3.20

DESIRE OF AGES.				
Pearl D. Bascom.....	37	5	\$18.75	\$ 2.25
Harriet C. Fuller.....	25	1	2.50	.25

MISCELLANEOUS.				
Oscar Johnson.....	28	6	\$ 2.75	

DELIVERIES.				
	Books.	Value.	Helps.	Lost.
Susan Haskell.....	13	\$13.00	\$14.75	4
H. B. Tilden.....	2	2.00		
Nelle Schoberg.....	18	13.75	2.00	2
Mary L. Haskell.....	3	5.50		

SUMMARY.				
No. of agents.....				13
" " orders.....				83
Value of ".....			\$112.00	
" " helps sold.....			\$ 45.10	
Total value.....			\$159.85	
Value of deliveries.....			\$ 34.25	
*Three weeks.				

THE SABBATH-SCHOOL.

CONDUCTED BY MRS. JESSIE L. ADAMS.

A CORRECTION.

No doubt all noticed the omission of a part of one of the recommendations in the report of the proceedings of the Sabbath-school Association. This was due to a mistake in the copy. We are sorry it occurred, but trust it may still result in good; for we now have another opportunity of reading and studying these recommendations. Please consider them carefully. The resolutions in full are:—

Whereas, The Spirit of God has spoken in regard to the importance of the daily study of the Sabbath-school lesson; therefore,—

1. We recommend, That special effort be made by Conference laborers and officers of schools, to encourage such study in each home.

Whereas, The present plan of supplying our schools with the Sabbath-School Worker is generally approved; therefore,—

2. We recommend, That the plan be continued another year, and that all our schools be encouraged to supply officers and teachers with the same.

Whereas, The helps sent to the superintendents, to increase the interest in teachers' meetings and to encourage a more thorough study of the Worker, have been appreciated; therefore,—

3. We recommend, That such help be furnished during the coming year.

Whereas, The Spirit of the Lord has spoken in regard to effort being made to gather those not of our faith into our Sabbath-schools for the study of the Word; therefore,—

4. We recommend, That a judicious house-to-house canvass be made, to invite such persons to visit our schools.

5. We recommend, That one-tenth of the total contributions of the Sabbath-schools be set aside for the support of the State Association, to be used in purchasing necessary supplies and to pay the traveling expenses of the State officers when traveling in the interest of Sabbath-school work.

Whereas, Sabbath-school conventions have been a means blest of God for the reviving and upbuilding of the Sabbath-schools in our State; therefore,—

6. We recommend, That they be continued, and that special care be taken to confine the program to the principles of Sabbath-school work; and, that when possible Conference laborers assist in these conventions.

Whereas, A good work has been done in glean- ing from the Testimonies, instruction with refer- ence to Sabbath-school work; therefore,—

7. We recommend, That our Sabbath-school superintendents supply themselves with the volume entitled "Testimonies on Sabbath-school Work."

Don't try to teach what you don't understand. This is the spirit of the Lord's directions to his apostles. He did not send them out at first to teach about his death and its atoning efficacy. After Pentecost they would be able to teach that fundamental truth, but not before. Attempt to teach only what you understand yourself. And you shall learn more as you follow on.—
Selected.

Workers' Bulletin.

DES MOINES, IOWA, JUNE 26, 1900.

—NO BULLETIN next week.

—ELD. E. E. GARDNER met with the Osceola church last Sabbath.

—MISS NELLIE KNAPP is spending a short time at Carnes before resuming her work at Keokuk.

—A LETTER addressed to C. H. Barr, Ames, Iowa, care S. D. A. Camp-ground, is uncalled for.

—MRS. LEWIS WILLSON and daughter Bertha, of State Center, are visiting friends in Linn county.

—OUR State Agent visited Milford and Charles City last week in the interests of the canvassing work.

—MISS MAUDE MORRISON has been visiting friends at Des Moines and Osceola since the camp-meeting.

—AS only fifty numbers of the BULLETIN are issued during the year, this week's paper closes Volume 11. The new volume begins July 10.

—ELD. J. H. MORRISON left this city last Thursday evening, to attend the camp-meeting in South Dakota, expecting to go from there to North Dakota and Manitoba.

—BRO. GEORGE EBEL, who has been laboring among the Germans in our State, now goes to take up the work in Kansas. He is at present located at Russell, Kansas.

—A GOOD parasol was left in the Sanitarium tent during the camp-meeting. The owner may have it by sending description of the same, with transportation directions.

—THE graduating exercises of the American Medical Missionary College will be held this evening, June 26. Among the graduates are five from Iowa: Lillian Eshleman, D. Edison Garvin, Jay Dow Shively, Myrtle Ethel Spencer, and Elsie Marie Martinson.

—BRO. AND SISTER H. B. TILDEN have been appointed to carry out Resolution No. 5, passed at the late Conference, which recommends the selection of "one or more experienced canvassers to work with the churches, . . . giving practical instruction in the sale of our literature, and in taking subscriptions for our books and periodicals." We feel sure they will receive a hearty welcome, and the co-operation of all our brethren and sisters.

—THE *Gospel Herald* is a missionary paper, and the only one published in the interests of the colored work in the South. Each number contains some otherwise unpublished articles, selected from letters received from Mrs. E. G. White. Eld. S. N. Haskell has a series of articles on the "Third Angel's Message," also Mrs. Haskell on the "Sanctuary," which will continue throughout Volume 2. A special number will be issued during the month of June, giving an illustrated description of the work and plans for the future. Price, five cents. The *Gospel Herald* is published by the Southern Missionary Society, 1908 Grand Ave., Nashville, Tenn. Price, 25 cents a year.

—AT a late session of the I. R. L. A. Board it was decided to make a special offer to those acting as agents for the *Sentinel of Liberty*. The appearance of the paper has been beautified by a new head and new type; and the increased editorial force, with editorial contributors in various parts of the field, assure us that the subject matter will be kept up to the highest standard. For sample copies or particulars concerning the special discount, address this Office. We hope to hear from many earnest advocates and supporters of religious liberty.

—PROF. E. A. SUTHERLAND's new book, entitled, "Living Fountains or Broken Cisterns, an Educational Problem for Protestants," is just from the press. This work gives the history of education, setting forth the true principles of Christian education *vs.* Pagan philosophy, and drawing a sharp contrast between the two methods. What subject can be of more vital importance to parents and teachers? This book contains 430 pages, bound in cloth. Price, \$1.25. Order of this Office.

—SUBSCRIPTIONS were taken for between eight and nine hundred copies of "Christ's Parables and Object Lessons," at the late camp-meeting. Do not all the Iowa brethren and sisters who did not have the opportunity of ordering these books at the camp-meeting want a part in the work of freeing our College from debt? Let us hear from those who do.

—ELD. H. M. J. RICHARDS and Bro. C. S. Clemmens began a series of tent meetings at Castle Rock (Colorado), last Monday night. Sister Richards has joined her husband, and will assist with the music.—*Echoes from the Field.*

—BRO. LLOYD MANFULL leaves our State this week for Arkansas, where he will engage in the canvassing work.

—WE are pleased to announce that a missionary map of the world, representing our work in organized Conferences and mission fields throughout the world, is in course of preparation. It will be printed upon good, substantial cloth, in black and two colors. Price, 75 cents. It will be ready for delivery about July 1. Order of this Office.

SANITARIUM NOTES.

P. M. PHILLPOTT, of Creston, spent a few days here last week.

BRO. A. J. NELSON, of Exira, is numbered among the patients.

BRO. JOHN TERWILLEGGER, of Pleasantville, accompanied a patient to the Sanitarium last Thursday.

BRO. J. E. WELCH received a visit from his son Charley and wife, of Mt. Vernon, Ohio, while they were in attendance at the National Music Teachers' Association convention held in this city last week. He accompanied them to College View, where they will enjoy a week's visit with home friends.

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APPOINTMENTS.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

QUARTERLY meeting will be held at Burlington, July 14 and 15. All members are requested to be present.

CARL JENSEN.

QUARTERLY meeting will be held at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, June 30 and July 1, 1900. There will be an opportunity for baptism. Pray for the blessing of the Lord at this meeting.

C. A. WASHBURN.