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Camp Meeting Rates.

OUR brethren are no doubt anxious in reference to rates for the Camp-meeting. We have been doing all we possibly could to get the matter settled. Experience teaches us that such business in some cases moves slowly. However, the Northern Pacific, Great Northern, and "Soo" lines have granted the usual one and one-third rate on the certificate plan. The Western Passenger Ass'n. has also granted us the usual rate of one and one-third fare over their lines. To get the benefit of the reduction you must purchase your tickets not earlier than Friday, May 28th, nor later than Thursday, June 3rd.

The first three lines named have instructed their agents to sell tickets and issue a certificate of purchase any day after the 21st of May, thus making the rates available to those wishing to attend the Workers' Meeting. Ask your agent for a ticket to Minneapolis, and state to him that you expect to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Camp-meeting. He will charge you full fare and give you a certificate of purchase. If two tickets are purchased over two lines of road, take certificate or receipt of each agent. Be sure to bring this certificate with you and hand it to Eld. D. P. Curtis as soon as possible after coming on the Camp-ground. He will sign it and return it to you, and when so signed it will entitle you to the privilege of purchasing a ticket for the home journey at one-third the regular fare. This instruction for the purchase of tickets will hold good over all the lines that have, or may grant us rates.

Camp-meeting agents will be placed in the different depots in Minneapolis the first two days of the Workers' Meeting and the day preceding and the first day of the regular meeting, May 31 and June 1,

who will give you the necessary instruction in reference to reaching the ground. If, however, you should miss the agent, take an Interurban street car and get off at Merriam Park. This brings you in plain sight of the Camp. C. W. FLAIZ.

As promised in last week's WORKER we give a portion of two letters just received from Eld. Hilliard; one to the writer of this note and the other to Bro. C. L. Emmerson. [L.]

Please keep the WORKER on the main line to the Tongan Islands as long as it is published, whatever the price of the subscription. It is a real feast for us to get hold of it in this isolated field. We are glad to hear that the work is progressing in the State. And I am especially glad to hear that the work is onward in Osakis, but sorry to hear that our dear Bro. Hill has had such a hard time of it physically. I trust that he has recovered long before this. We received copies of the Special Testimonies No's. six and seven. What stirring things they contain. Surely the Lord has waited long for his people, and I believe the message will soon go with power to the unbelieving world. All that is needed now is for God's people to get into the right position, where the Lord can work through them.

Our little school is increasing some, both in interest and in numbers. We have sixteen scholars at present. The tuition for the month of March amounted to \$42.50. This is the highest that it has been any month yet. It varies from \$25 to \$40 per month. We are beginning to take scholars into our home to live with us all of the time. The parents are very anxious that we should, and by so doing we avoid the counteracting influence in the home. I suppose that the parents do the best that they know how to do in their homes for their children, but they seem to have a poor idea of how children should be treated.

I have visited one or two other villages of late, and I enjoyed my ride through the cocoanut woods, but when I reached the villages I found but few people, and I could see quite a contrast between them and those that live in this village. I found the sick and suffering there as well as elsewhere. I am glad, indeed, that the misery of this world is soon to give place to a better state of things. I think that there must be but a very little difference between the natives of Tonga and those that you found in Central America. This coming week they are to have what they call "great times" here. Wednesday is the King's coronation day. But instead of having one

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day's celebration they say that they are going to have nine days. I hardly think they will have more than four. They usually wind up with a big all-around drunk. The natives are permitted, by the government, to drink liquor on those days. One native asked me why we do not eat pork and other flesh meats. I referred him to Isaiah 66:17, and this seemed to satisfy him on the swine question. But he could not see why we should refuse to eat beef, mutton and fowl. I told him that we thought a vegetable diet more healthful. He said that the natives were afraid to join us for fear that they would have to give up their tea and coffee and flesh eating.

We are of good courage, and are seeking the Lord for a greater measure of his Spirit. Truly our Saviour is good to bear so long and patiently with us. We feel that we must consecrate our souls anew to God, and be where the Lord can save these natives through us. I often think of the expression in one of the first articles of the *Review*, which I have read since coming here. And that is that we need a new conversion every day. May the Lord grant that I may have one every morning.

Pray for this little foreign field when you are asking God's blessing on the others.

Your brother in the work,
E. HILLIARD.

* THE SABBATH SCHOOL. *

THE topics for the remainder of the book of John will appear in this column in a few weeks. In the meantime let all who can, prepare a list of topics to be kept and compared with the printed list. I also want to ask the younger members of the schools especially, to prepare topics for the chapters from the fifteenth to the eighteenth inclusive, and send them to me. Who will be the first boy or girl to send in a list of topics prepared without help from any source but the Bible?

Are all who study these good lessons from week to week keeping in mind the most helpful thoughts in each? It is a good plan to keep a memoranda of these from week to week that they may be referred to often, so that they may mean more to us than a passing lesson, and may be food for our every day life. The following are a few of the thoughts gleaned from some of the papers that were handed in at the last written review of the Mankato Sabbath-school.

"The lesson on the experience of Judas brought to my mind the thought that evil cherished will at last result in the rejection of the Saviour." "The Saviour is so willing to send us the Comforter." "Seek Jesus night and day.

Give every one kind words." "If we hear His voice we are His sheep, and if we hear not His voice we are not his sheep." "Christ is the bread of life and the fountain of living water, and we can partake of them if we will." "If we ask anything in His name he will do it." "He will not leave us comfortless, or to ourselves, but will help any who call on Him." "Jesus says if any man ask in his name that shall he give unto them, and although he went away from this earth he left his Comforter with us." "All that will live Godly shall be despised."

Most of these thoughts are from the children and given in their own words.

Will those who are preparing maps of Palestine kindly hand them to me on the Camp-ground if they attend.

An article for the *WORKER* was sent me some time ago which has not as yet been sent in. Will the one who sent it to me kindly send me his name and address.

A short time ago a good letter was received from Alberta Little telling of her pleasant journey and safe arrival in Oakland, Cal. We hope soon to have her tell our readers something of the Sabbath-school work there.

FANNIE BURGESS.

TO THE SABBATH SCHOOL CHILDREN.

DEAR CHILDREN:—

I want to ask you all if you read the *Minnesota WORKER* each week. I have so many things that I should like to say to you and if you will keep watch of this column I shall enjoy writing to you often, and receiving letters from you in answer to my questions.

The beautiful month of May is almost gone. How much we all have enjoyed it, with its fullness of new life! The warm sun is trying to draw out every green herb from the earth. Even in the hard trodden road I saw some tender blades of grass that had pushed their way out. Does it not make us long to push our lives above the hated soil of sin? We may, just as easily as does the grass, if we but let the Creator control our growth. The birds are all here again and we may join with them in their morning praise service. All nature is rejoicing. Are we?

What a busy month this has been for the farmer! Every May brings the "seed time", for "While the earth remaineth seed time shall not cease". I wonder how many of the children

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have started their missionary gardens. It is not too late now to start a flower garden. I have just started mine and hope to be able to cheer some sad heart with these sweet reminders of our Father's love.

In our Sabbath-school lesson last week, we learned about a garden in which Jesus spent many an hour in prayer. Did any of you learn anything about that garden and the brook, Cedron? Who will write me a description of that garden?

To how many of us has this month brought a birth-day? Have you remembered the Giver of life with a birth-day offering this year?

Five members of the Mankato Sabbath-school have given their offerings this month.

Let us praise God for the month of May, and may we learn to know him better by beholding his wonderful works.

"God is seen in everything,
In the sun, the moon, the sky,
On the mountain wild and high,
In the grove, the wood, the plain,
In the little birds that sing,
God is seen in everything."

FANNIE BURGESS.

• NOTES FROM THE FIELD. •

Leslie.

OUR tent meetings began at this place about three weeks ago. At first the interest was not as good as we hoped for, but grew until our hearts have been cheered by seeing some take a stand for the precious truths for these days. Last Sabbath and Sunday were good days here. On Sabbath eight were added to the church, five by baptism and three by letter and five more are expected to join by baptism next Sunday.

We feel so thankful for the Lord's good blessing that has so far attended us in our meetings. The Lord is good and his mercy endureth for ever.

Your brother in the work,
W. B. HILL.

Barnsville.

PRESENT TRUTH entered this place some time ago, and the leaven has been working, so that at present a number are rejoicing in the light and some are deeply interested, searching if these things be so. I labored thirteen days here, holding meetings every day, visiting and giving Bible-readings, which work was well received. The Spirit of God pressing home the word to our hearts, so that we all felt its cleansing and healing power. On Sabbath, the 15th, six

precious souls were buried with Christ in baptism before an audience of about 300, thus testifying to the truth, "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life". Here I had the pleasure of meeting a few of our "no license" preachers that are working in this vicinity, bringing the message on the printed page into every house, on hills, and in valleys. Brethren, pray for the canvasser, and do all you can for him, for he is doing a noble work.

I enjoyed much of God's blessing at Barnsville and regret I could not stay longer. O Lord, send laborers into the field, white for harvest, is my prayer!

FRED JOHNSON.

A SPECIAL OFFER.

THE readers of this paper will be pleased to note that Review and Herald Publishing Company, of Battle Creek, Mich., have just issued a new book, from the pen of Eld. M. E. Kellogg, entitled "The Supremacy of Peter, or Did Christ Establish a Primacy in the Church?" They are also the publishers of *The Youth's Instructor*, and as a special inducement to secure the paper and the book, they offer to send a copy of "The Supremacy of Peter", post-paid, to any person who will send in three new subscriptions to *The Youth's Instructor*. Each subscription thus sent, should be accompanied by the regular price to new subscribers, i. e. 75 cents.

The price of "The Supremacy of Peter" is \$1.00, and it contains 290 pages, exclusive of the many illustrations. Bound in excellent cloth binding.

This is indeed, a very good opportunity for all of our readers to secure this new book, as by doing so, they will not only secure a valuable work for their libraries, but will also do much good in circulating *The Youth's Instructor*. Only three new names, and the book is yours, prepaid.

For further information, blanks for securing names, etc., send to Minn. Tract Soc., Box 989, Minneapolis, Minn.

No Paper Next Week.

AS MANY of the readers of the Minnesota WORKER will be in attendance at the Camp-meeting next week, and many who remain at home will have the Minneapolis daily paper containing the reports of the meetings, and also as the editor and all connected with the WORKER will be very busy on the ground at Merriam Park, it has been decided to publish no paper next week. We hope to greet a large share of

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the readers of our little paper on the Camp-ground. We have learned to know your names by our printed list, but to know them by your faces would give us greater pleasure.

Many subscriptions expire in the month of June and we hope that none of our family will feel like deserting us. If the paper has not been what you thought it should be, perhaps you could have made it better had you suggested some improvement which would have been thankfully received. The matter contained in the paper has been freely contributed by those who have the cause at heart, and we take this occasion to thank those who have so generously contributed to the columns of the paper. We believe it has been a source of strength and union to the different branches of the work in Minnesota.

The *Missionary column* has been filled with helpful hints and suggestions from week to week that have encouraged and stimulated many a weary heart to press on in the good fight and win the prize of eternal life. The *Sabbath-school department* has imparted much of value and instruction to those who have read this column, and has tended to unite the Sabbath-schools in the State by a systematic study of the Word, and the hearts of teacher and pupil have been united in closer bonds of love for this systematic study.

What is true of the Sabbath-schools is also true of the missionary work, and the laborers and canvassers. The *WORKER* seems to be the common center in the State where we can all meet and talk over our work from week to week, and tell our experiences as a family of God's dear children who are working for one common end—to bring back the other members of the family who have strayed from home, to the Father's house of peace and joy and rest. Going home! O, is there anything that thrills the heart of a wandering child, as the thought of home coming; greeting those loved ones from whom we have so long been separated. That is the glad prospect of every child of God, with the glorious unrealized prospect of never being separated from the loved and loving. May every reader of this use the means placed within his reach of inducing others, as well as himself, to follow after righteousness in this dark world of sin, and soon realize all that the Father holds in his loving hands for the faithful.

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Two thousand and seven hundred copies of the Camp-meeting edition of the *Signs of the Times* are being distributed in Minnesota this week.

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Those coming to the Camp-meeting should take the precaution to bring plenty of clothing and bedding with them, as these cold nights and days demand it.

Most of our ministering brethren are taking their annual drill in physical culture this week at Merriam Park under the able supervision of M. H. Ellis. The drill is most practical in its results, as the tented city which is springing up, as if by magic, testifies.

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Any one wishing rugs or carpets can get them very cheap at the Workingmen's Home, 42 Custom House Place, Chicago, Ill. Good rag carpet 25 cents per yard. Moquet, velvet and brussels rugs at 50 cents per square yard. These are special prices to close out the stock on hand.

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Miss Eva Sanford who, in company with her mother, left Minneapolis a few weeks ago to reside at Brinsmade, N. Dak., writes that she is happily disappointed in the country. Instead of a bleak, wild prairie, she finds a beautiful landscape covered with green grass and beautiful flowers. They find themselves quite at home with a little company of Sabbath-keepers at the above named place.

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Eld. D. Nettleton who went to Pine Island last week, returned to Minneapolis on Monday and reports good meetings with the Pine Island church. Held a few street meetings with large attendance and good interest. Many who listened to the truth on the street, afterward attended the church upon invitation. Is not this one of the "justifiable means of bringing the light of truth before the people?"

THE BOOK WORK.

Canvassers' Report for Week Ending May 14, 1897.

ORDERS TAKEN.

	Book	Ord.	Val.	Val.	Helps.
Gust Henrikson	P. J.	19	\$33.00		\$2.50
P. O. Johnson	G. C.	10	26.50		2.65
D. A. Deedon	" "	4	9.50		.50
I. T. Andrus	C. O. S	15	17.25		.65
Julia A. Johnson	" "	14	5.75		.50
Martha Lee	" "	16	8.00		2.50
H. E. Shelstad	" "	10	4.85		.75
Ida Johnson	" "	12	3.65		
Hattie Richel	" "	10	6.50		
			110	\$115.00	\$10.05

Ellen Small of Eagle Lake has joined the canvassers' ranks and is delivering a few books at Mankato this week.

L. Skadsen also delivered a number of books last week. J. Skadsen will go to Moorhead this week where he will find about \$100.00 worth of books waiting for him, to be delivered on and after June 1.

A. Hawley and J. M. Little started for Nobles and Rock counties the first of the week where they will scatter the seeds of truth.

Bro. C. Nelson writes from Riceland that the Lord has blessed his efforts thus far and he has visited a number of lonely Sabbath-keepers, and distributed reading matter among the people.