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CHARITY.

There's gold where it least is suspected, And treasures that never are known. There's good in the heart of all creatures, And riches that never are shown. We see but the rough that is outward, The surface that's hardened with sin, We look at the shell uninviting and not at the storehouse within.

How little we know of each other! How are we misjudged, each by each! How much that is highest and noblest Can find no expression in speech! How often we censure our brother And leave a dark cloud on his name, When, could we but know, he's deserving Of charity rather than blame.

In each is a nature unfathomed, In each is an unexplored mine Of sentiment, wholesome and kindly, The trace of a something divine. In each, though the surface seems barren, The manner repellant and cold, Deep down in the bosom lie hidden The veins of the purest of gold.

Judge not; for the trial, the temptation, The motive and heart are unknown. Judge not; for unseen is the battle Fought out in the silence alone. We're prone to look but at the evil And fail to distinguish the good; Our failings are seen, not our virtues, And thus are we misunderstood.

Our brothers and sisters who struggle With circumstance, weakness and fate, Why should we not lift through compassion, Not trample with censure and hate?

For none are so low but a kindness May help them their loss to retrieve; And all in their instincts are better Than others are prone to believe. There's gold where it least is suspected, Down deep in its fastness of stone; There's good in the heart of all creatures. And riches that never are known; In each of our hearts is a beauty, If we but had eyes and would see; In each is a storehouse of treasure And Love is the magical key.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

A HAPPY HOME.

Really the making of the home begins before the home is set up—it begins when two agree to unite their lives in marriage. The marriage ceremony does not necessarily ordain happiness. There are lives wedded which never blend. Mariage should not be entered upon hastily, heedlessly, but always reverently, discreetly, prayerfully.

When the marriage tie has been formed, each has a sacred part to perform in making the home one of happiness, of love, of blessing. The husband has a share. Not every man who assumes this relation thinks of the responsibility he accepts when he takes a young girl away from the shelter of parents' love, the warmest, softest nest in the world, and leads her into a new home, where henceforth his love is to be her only shelter. No man is fit to be a husband who is not a good man. He need not be great, nor rich, nor brilliant, nor clever, but he must be good. His love must be so true that it will not fail in any experience and will continue strong as ever when both have grown old; and it must be so warm and tender that it will never weary in its

thoughtfulness and kindness. The love a true woman's heart craves is gentle as well as strong, affectionate as well as true.

Home is a woman's kingdom. There the wife must be strong and beautiful. There she must be her best, and always bring her best. She may do good things outside, in church and society. if she can do them without slighting the duties that are hers within her own doors. But if any calls for service must be declined they should not be the duties of her home. These are hers, and no other one's. Whatever may be the share of others, the happiness of the household, in the last analysis, depends upon the wife. Her spirit gives the home its atmosphere; her heart makes its warmth. And the end is so worthy, so noble, so divine, that no woman who has been called to be a wife, should consider any price too great to pay in order to be the light, the joy, the inspiration, of a home. Men with splendid gifts think it worth while to live to paint a few pictures which shall be admired for generations; or to write a few songs which shall sing themselves into people's hearts. But the woman who makes a sweet, beautiful home, filling it with love and prayer and holy inspirations, is doing something finer than aught else her hands could find to do beneath the skies.-J. R. Miller, DD

A LAY SERMON TO LEADERS OF MEETINGS.

What I wrote in a former article for ministers applies with equal force to those who lead prayer and social

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meetings. Some people attempt to make up for lack of intensity by increased quantity, in both talks and prayers. A prayer meeting should not be a place where one person delivers a thirty-minute sermon and a fifteenminute prayer and then ask the suffering people to be brief. Example is better than precept. If the leader will speak and pray to the point, he is much more likely to have earnest, short prayers and testimonies from all present. We are told by the servant of the Lord that long prayers and testimonies kill a prayer-meeting, and any one who has witnessed their effects on a meeting can readily believe it. The Lord through his servant says: "When you pray, be brief; come right to the point. Do not preach the Lord a sermon in your long prayers."

He who has a need can express it in a few words. Peler, sinking, said, "Lord, save me, I perish." Blind Bartimeus cried out, "Thou Son of David, have mercy on me." The publican cried, "God be merciful to me a sinner." All these prayers were answered immediately. They expressed a definite want and received a definite answer.

It was the Pharisee who began, "God, I thank Thee, that I am not as other men," etc. He was praying "with himself." And many of the prayers in present-day prayer-meetings are "with himself," or with the congregation, and not with God. Oh, brethren, let us have in mind something we need, something we must have and then present it before the Lord with faith that the prayer will be answered, remembering that we are not heard for our much speaking.

So with our testimonies. He who is having a real experience in the things of God can express it in a few words. A multiplicity of words is usually employed to cover a lack of real experience. The best meetings are those in which leader and congreation are brief but earnest, where each one takes part, and where there are no painful pauses. Much depends on the leader whether the meeting shall be of this kind or not.

I would not take the trouble to write this if I thought the slow prosy leaders could not make a change in their methods; but I believe, if they will go to their closets, and there remain with God until they become acquainted with him, they will then know how to talk to the point and pray short, fervent prayers, and have meetings where each one will realize that he has received an outpouring of the Spirit.—A Lay Member. Facific Union Recorder.

FIELD REPORTS.

ROSWELL, N. M.

From a letter from Brother Milo D. Warfle we glean the following: The Lord is blessing in the work here. Last Sabbath two more were added to the church, one by letter and one by bap ism. Last night two more of our readers requested the prayers of the church. We are very busy with our tract and Bible reading work. I am taking tracts to sixty families and giving ten readings, besides preaching twice each week. Mrs. Warfle is giving thirteen readings per week, besides doing tract and book work; so you see we are able to keep busy. So far we have avoided any clash with the Campbellites. May we be remembered at the throne of grace.

Milo D. Warfle.

MONTE VISTA.

Since camp-meeting I have been working around home, on account of the sickness of my family. For the past two weeks we have held meetings here, and are very glad to report some interested ones. The little prejudice that has existed over the valley seems to be rapidly disappearing, and the outlook for the coming year is good. Brethren Kennedy and Hills write encouragingly from the other end of the district. My family are much better, for which we praise the Lord.

M. Mackintosh.

NORTH DENVER.

We closed our meetings in Argyle Park on Sunday evening. We had thought to close them a week ago, but the interest has continued and the weather has been favorable. The Lord has greatly blessed us in this effort. Sixteen have signed the covenant, and we expect others will do so. Elders Svensson and Adkins and Brother Elmer Farnsworth have assisted in the meetings. Some of our Bible readers are also taking hold of the truth. Sabbath, Oct. 17, two were baptized, and Oct. 24 four more followed their Lord in this ordinance. Others will do so soon. We praise God for his good Spirit that has been with us in the work in Denver.

G. W. Anglebarger.

CALHAN.

The cause is onward in this part of God's vineyard. Quarterly meeting was held at Calhan. Dr. Hills was with us, and his words of encouragement and entreaty were appreciated by all. Sunday five dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism. This makes fourteen grown persons bap.ized in this field this summer. May they all be faithful. I will start a series of meetings at Ramah next Sunday. Fray for the work here.

J. F. Jenson.

MEEKER AND PALISADES.

September 27, in company with Mrs. MacGuire and Elder Richards, we visited the little company at Meeker. For some time they have been pleading for help. For reasons known to himself, the enemy of the truth has always maintained the most determined resistance to every effort to establish the truth in this place. During the summer a preacher of another sect labored with persistence to overthrow the truth. The faith of some was weakened to some extent, but as the Lord witnessed by his Spirit from night to night to the truthfulness of the message, the confidence of all was restored and they were fully confirmed and established in the truth. We praise the Lord for the presence of his sweet Spirit and trust that the efforts put iorth will bear fruit for eternity.

October 12 we returned to Palisades. The company here is of good courage. Steps have been taken for the erection of a neat church building which we hope to begin in a few days. We also expect to organize a church here at once. A treasurer was appointed a few days ago, and \$117.00 tithe was immediately paid in, with promise of more soon. There is a call for a course of lectures as soon as the new church building is ready, and we believe God has some honest souls here who will receive the truth. We ask the prayers of the Echces family for the work in these places.

Meade MacGuire.

THE BOOK WORK.

INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY.

The enormous industrial activity in the United Sta es at the present time is shown in the strenuous efforts now being put forth by the various railroad companies to furnish the necessary number of cars to move the produce of the country to market. One company alone, whose business is the manufacture of freight cars, has turned out an average of 6,500 cars a month during the year, and still that company is unable to meet the demands made upon it by the railroad companies for freight cars. During the year 1901 this one firm manufactured 66,000 such cars, and by the close of this year it wil have manufactured 78,000 more. Other firms also are turning out thousands of cars a month and most of them have orders ahead for six months' work. During the year 1901 one billion and eighty-four million tons of freight were moved by the railroad companies of the United States. The estimated total tonnage for the present year is one billion and one hundred million tons. The railroads are unable to meet the demands of shippers for cars to move their freight, notwithstanding the thousands of new cars that are being built.

With these facts before us who would dare say times are too hard to sell books? Those who go out and work with the same earnestness and enthusiasm that worldly men do will have success.

What we need is not money, but men and women; men and women who are willing to work without having their way smoothed and every obstacle removed; men and women who are courageous like Joshua, brave like Gideon, patient like Job, persevering like Daniel, meek like Moses, prayerful like Elijah, long-suffering like Paul, and bold like Peter.

We are told that the canvassing work will continue till probation closes, and there is no higher type of missionary work than the canvassing work. Who will join our ranks? We could locate one hundred canvassers in good territory this winter. "Say ye not, There are four months and then cometh the harvest? Behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already unto harvest.

G. Phillips.

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A MISSIONARY RALLY.

November 21 and 22 has been set apart for a general missionary rally all over the United States. Readings on various phases of missionary work have been prepared and will be furnished free to those requesting them. They are as follows:

"A Call to Service," by Mrs. E. G. While.

"Value and Uses of Tracts," by various writers.

"Our Periodicals a Continual Blessing," by H. H. Hall.

"Home Workers with Small Books," by I. A. Ford

"A Missionary Follow-up System," by S. N. Curtis.

"Mission and Results of Christ's Object Lessons Work," by P. T. Magan.

These readings are all very short and are only expected to open up the subject for general discussion after the plan of Sabbath-school conventions-in fact these services will be called missionary conventions.

The plan is to devote three services to them, two on the Sabbath and one Sunday evening, or evening after the Sabbath. This will allow about fifteen minutes for the study and discussion of each topic. The third meeting, coming as it does upon the time other than the Sabbath, enables the church to transact the business connected with the ordering of supplies and arranging for work.

Let us pray that this may be a season of extraordinary blessing to us all. and in the mean time be studying how we can make it so

H. H. Hall.

SPECIAL NURSE'S COURSE AT THE COLORADO SANITARIUM.

Reference was made several weeks ago to a special nurse's course in the Colorado Sanitarium, beginning December 1. We are glad to say that this plan was talked over very freely with Elder G. F. Watson, president of the conference, and other leading workers, and that these brethren have given to this plan their hearty and unqualified endorsement. We rejoice in this, as the sanitarium is glad to co-operate with the conference in every possible wav.

As previously stated, this course will begin December 1, and will con-

tinue six months. It is open to conference workers and to any of our brethren and sisters who come recommended by their churches. The course is such as to cover in theoretical instruction nearly all that is embraced in our two years' nurse's course, and will ably fit our brethren and sisters to go into their neighborhoods and among their friends to administer intelligent, rational treatment.

The expense of the course, as already stated, will be two dollars per month tuition. The sanitarium will furnish meal tickets, one hundred and fifty coupons to the ticket, at \$2.50 per ticket. These coupons can be made to do very good service for board for ten days. If those taking the class wish to board themselves, the sanitarium will be pleased to give them a discount of 40 per cent. on all our own manufactured goods. The sanitarium cannot furnish rooms, nor can it furnish employment to those taking the class. A number have already applied, and the prospects are that a good training class will be organized. We desire to hear from any others who may wish to take up this work.

Francis M. Wilcox.

CHURCH SCHOOL CORRESPOND-ENCE COURSE,

Union College is sending out a series of studies for the benefit of those who are especially interested in church school teaching. "Education" is the first book to be studied, and this will be followed by others. We believe this will be an excellent help, and are very anxious that many in our conference shall take it up. Lessons are sent out once in two weeks, and as there is no expense other than providing the books for study, all can afford to take it. We want every teacher to take it. and also all who are thinking of taking up this line of work. Please send me your name and address at once.

E. E. Farnsworth.

Preparations are being made to build a new church at Cedaredge. Lumber is now being hauled for the purpose. Elder Stales is especially interested in this work and is looking after it. From Brother MacGuire's report it will be seen that Palisades is also preparing for the same thing.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Sister Celia Green is visiting a few days with home folks in Boulder.

Brother G. Phillips spent a couple of days in Boulder last week in the interests of "Christ's Object Lessons."

Elder S. F. Svensson spent October 16-22 with the Idaho Springs church. He reports an excellent spiritual interest in the little company there.

Sister Pooley of Batle Creek, formerly of Boulder, has returned to this state on account of her health. She has been in Denver the past few days.

Brother William North of Pueblo spent Sabbath, Oct. 17, with the Denver church. There is a good interest to hear the truth at the mission chapel with which he is connected.

We are glad to add the names of Louise Weiss and Minnie Caldwell to the list of students from our conference in attendance at Union College. They are highly pleased with the school.

October 10 a Sabba h-school was organized at Rocky Ford with eleven members. Oct. 31 Dr. Hills will meet with them, and the company at that place will be organized into a church. They are of good courage.

A tent sixteen by twenty-eight is being fitted up at Argyle Park in which to hold Sabbath-school and meetings during the winter. A lumber firm in the city donated over \$20 worth of lumber for the purpose.

Elder H. L. Hoover reports the organization of a Sabbath-school at Estancia, N. M. of fif.een members. Not quite all are Sabbath-keepers, but this gives promise of being a very fruitful field. We are glad to welcome these new schools.

Some excellent reports are coming in from our new canvassers. One young brother who started out with fear and trembling took over ten dollars worth of orders the first day, and over forty the first week. And yet there is room. Who will work?

Two new temperance tracts are ready. One, entitled "Charged With Murder," represents a judgment room scene. The other, "The Demons' Council," a parable representing Satan and his angels counselling over the destruction of man. Price twenty-five and fifty cents per hundred, respectively. Married, at Glenwood Springs, Oct. 21, 1903, Brother W. E. Huffman and Sister Estella M. Mundell, Elder L. A. Spring officiating. Brother Huffman is one of our best canvassers, and we are glad to know that he and his wife will both continue actively in the missionary work. Echoes extends best wishes.

Quarterly meeing was held at Arvada, Sabbath, Oct. 17, at which time Elder Ziegler was present. It was a good day for this little church, and the tender Spirit of God was present. Meetings were held on Saturday and Sunday evenings. The latter evening a full house listened to a sermon on the "Eastern Question."

Mrs. Dr. Hills, of Colorado Springs, was called to Denver on the 22nd inst. by the sickness and death of her mother, Mrs. LaDue. She had a complication of diseases which baffled the efforts of skilled physicians and the loving ministrations of her husband and children. We extend to Sister Hills and to the family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Elder S. F. Svensson started Sunday morning for Ni Wot, where he will begin a series of meetings in the Swedish Lutheran church northwest of town. He has had an urgent invitation from this place for some time, and we trust many prayers will follow him as he goes to labor here among his own nationality, that many may see the light of the truth that is so precious to us.

The Capital and Labor edition of The Signs of the Times will be ready about November 15. Special announcements of this will be sent to all librarians and conference workers and to many of the scattered ones. In view of the condition of the labor situation this is a most important issue. Will not all of our people rally and make the most of this opportunity? Send in your orders early.

The Denver Sabbath-school has decided to have an Ingathering and Thanksgiving service in the near future. At this time offerings of all kinds will be brought in, and it is expected that many a poor family will be made thankful on Thanksgiving day, as well as for many days to come, as the result of this special service. Would it not be well for our Sabbathschools in general to try this?

LONGMONT.

Our Sabbath-school is getting along nicely. During the summer we have held our meetings in a tent, but hope to have our own church building ready in a few weeks.

Some added improvements have been made in the purchase of one dozen kindergarten chairs for a new class just formed. The school voted to devote the donations for the first two months of the quarter to missions, and for the last month to home expenses.

Mary O. Rice.

IDAHO SPRINGS.

We are glad to send a report from our Sabbath-school. We have had many blessings during the past quarter, although our attendance has not been as large as formerly.

We much enjoyed the help of Eider Svensson while he was here. Two precious souls were baptized and added to the church. His help was especially appreciated in the Swedish language as well as in the English. We hope God will send him or some one else here, as we need more strength and encouragement to go on in the battle of life and at last win a crown of victory.

Hanna Marie Olson.

FLORENCE.

During the past quarter our school has been quite prosperous, for which we praise the Lord. Connected with the school we have three Home Department schools, and I have been pleased to see the interest taken in this line. May the good work go on.

We celebrated the ordinances of the Lord's house last Sabbath, and the dear Saviour did indeed meet with us, and gave us a rich blessing. Praise be to his name!

John D. Skeels.

LAS VEGAS, N. M.

We had the pleasure of having Elder Watson Ziegler with us on Sabbath, September 26, which was a rare treat to us. Sunday evening he also held a service and gave us an excellent sermon from the thirteenth chapter of Revelations. His visit was much enjoyed.

B. Phillips.

FORT COLLINS.

We are glad to report that our church and Sabbath-school are in good working order. We have a good interest in the Sabbath-school and there is a marked increase in the Junior classes. Several new members have been added during the past few Sabbaths. We are encouraged to do better work.

James Poteet.