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God has not promised skies ever blue:
Flower strewn pathway always for you.
God has not promised sun without rain;
Joy without sorrow, peace without pain.
But God has promised strength from above;
Unfailing sympathy, undying love,
—Selected.

GENERAL ARTICLES.

Lessons From the Recent Earthquake.

Please read Isa. 24:1-3. I was never so forcibly impressed of how this prophecy could be brought about as seeing the results of the earthquake. A day or two after the earthquake a gentleman passed by our little place and said, "I would rather live in your humble home than in the finest mansion in the city." For some days after the earthquake most of the people in the city had to live in their yards and were not allowed to build a fire in their houses. The rich people had to camp with their hired help. There is a very wealthy man living near here who just a short time before the earthquake drew the most of his money out of the bank and invested it in flats in San Francisco which were swept clean, and about all he had left was his fine home near here. He had many servants and they were all very much attached to him, as he believed in paying them good wages. A colored girl who assisted in the kitchen told a friend of mine that a

few days after the disaster all the hired help were called together and he informed them that he had lost nearly all and was as poor as they. He told them they could remain with him and board but he could see no way of paying them. This girl was getting forty dollars a month and board. Others in our city had their all tied up in the banks and it was some days before they opened and there was a feeling of unrest on all sides. Verse 8 says: "The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth." I was in a meeting a few days ago and the remark was made that there had been no evening parties since the earthquake. Please read verses 10-12. A person walking through the business portion of our city can see this literally fulfilled in looking at the buildings braced up on all sides to keep from falling and see the signs all round "danger," and men standing in front of saloons saying, "I wish that saloon would open, I want a drink." True desolation is seen in the city and joy is darkened for it was some days after the earthquake before the electric lights could be used. Read carefully verses 13-15 and you will see the goodness of the Lord plainly brought out, for there will be a remnant who will glorify the Lord in the midst of all this desolation and in the fires. As I went out with the earthquake special *Signs* I talked with men who had come from San Francisco, and while they told me they had lost everything yet they rejoiced to know that their family were all alive and well. I had some good talks with some of them and had much freedom in pointing them to our precious truth as something that would stand when the earth should reel to and fro like a drunkard.

In the burnt district in San Francisco

on Market street it is quite common to see notices reading something like this: "We will put up a fire proof building on this lot" and then tell what it will be used for. Poor men, little do they realize that in the storm before us everything will be shaken down only as they are anchored to Christ, and what is now needed is to go among the people and point them to the refuge from the storm which is before us.

Geo. O. States.

The Canvassing Field.

Since leaving Denver, I have held meetings in Longmont and Hygiene. A part of last week was spent in helping Sister Truman with her delivery. The Lord blessed us in delivering, and I had many rich experiences. After finishing her delivery I went to Loveland to assist Brother Davy in getting started in the work. Brother Davy was not quite ready to start, so I came up to Ft. Collins, and met Brethren Stevens and Truman. My visit and labor with them has been very pleasant. The Lord is blessing their labors in a marked manner. I am now visiting Brother West and his brother-in-law, Brother Schofield, at Bellvue.

Truly the Lord has gone out before us and prepared the hearts of the people to receive the printed page, as can be seen by the following reports. One of our canvassers, in four days, or 36 hour, secured 30 orders, value, \$102.50. On one of these days, of nine hours, he secured 11 orders, value, \$40.00. Another brother, in 31 hours, secured 19 orders, value \$77.20. One of our sisters, in four days, or 31 hours, secured 25 orders, value, \$70.25. How can anyone with these facts before them say that they cannot make a living in the canvassing work? Now is the time to work, and what we need to-

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day is more men and women of faith and courage who are willing to take God at his word, lay hold of his promises by faith and go forth in the power of God to carry the printed page to those who know not the truth. Who will respond as did the prophet of old, and say, "Here am I, Lord, send me." If there are any that are desirous of entering the work, write me at 1112 South 11th St., Denver, Colorado, and I will give you all the help that I can. A. G. Bodwell.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

FIELD REPORTS.

The Western Slope.

The Lord is blessing in the work on the western slope. June 2nd six dear souls were buried with their Lord in baptism, and five were added to the church. These were converts from both Clifton and Palisade. Since coming here I have continued the work at Clifton Sabbath and Sunday evenings that Elders Wat and Spring commenced. The attendance has increased until there is a good number present at each meeting. Elder Watson and some of the brethren from Palisade will follow up the interest there.

Brother W. F. Hills and I are now working at Collbran. Pray for the work in this needy field.

Wm. Kennedy.

India.

To those interested in India, some extracts from a letter received from Mrs. J. L. Shaw, will be of interest.

"I must tell you how wonderfully the Lord has blessed my efforts, made for India with fear and trembling. I have just come from the German camp-meeting, where, in one meeting, the brethren gave over a thousand dollars. I never was more conscious of the presence of the Lord than at that meeting. The brethren and sisters gave out of the abundance of their hearts, and it was touching to see the sacrifice they made.

At the Rock Lake meeting, in this state, they have over two hundred dollars, which makes more than thirteen hundred dollars for India from this comparatively new conference.

Yours in the same blessed work.

Bessie L. Shaw."

Denver.

The work in Denver is moving onward, and souls are being turned to the Lord and his truth Sabbath, June 16, three were baptized. Last Sabbath, June 30, five more were baptized, and others will follow soon. The efforts of Elder L. A. Spring and the members of the church have helped to bring about those results. Several dear souls are keeping the Sabbath as the result of our Sunday night meetings and our Sabbath services.

Our Bible class, which numbers about one hundred and twenty members, is accomplishing much good. A number of strangers are in attendance. We are studying the different points of truth.

Though the evil one has been active in his efforts to destroy us and to bring reproach upon the precious cause of God through channels which should have been used to his glory, but the Lord has wonderfully worked for His people here, and we can truly say, "thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

"O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word"

Sister Ruth Olsen and Meade MacGuire are doing good work among the young people. Many of them have given their hearts to God. Dr. Vere S. Richards is aiding us much in the singing. Pray for the work here.

G. W. Anglebarger.

Albuquerque, N. M.

We are all of good courage here and the work of the Lord is prospering. Last week I was down to San Marcial and held some meetings, during which one soul was converted to the Lord. I expect to baptize this sister on my next visit. There are some others in the valley of decision whom I hope to see converted.

The meetings here are not very well attended, but those who attend come regularly. May God grant that some souls may see and accept the truth.

We hope to start the Spanish paper soon and that will be a great help in the Spanish work here. We certainly need the help that such a paper will be. At the present time our Mexican children do not have any adequate education in the Sabbath school, as they have no lesson suitable for them. I am endeavoring to get something prepared for them as soon as possible.

I am glad to report that four of our young people have recently joined the church. J. A. Leland.

A Plea for Liberty.

We desire that our new religious liberty magazine, *Liberty*, shall be given a wide circulation. There are many and urgent reasons why this should be done. We are nearing the great crisis when all will be called upon to take their stand for or against the truth. Many are ignorant of the principles involved in the great issue before us, and must be enlightened. Many have been led astray by National Reform principles, which have been widely disseminated, and have come to believe that the use of force in matters of religion is necessary and right; that it is even Christian. Not a few men in official positions are openly championing these false principles. Several governors of states have lately inaugurated Sunday enforcement campaigns in their States, and Sunday bills are continuously being introduced into Congress and State Legislatures.

Plans have been laid for supplying every legislator in the land with *Liberty*. Of all classes, it would seem that those who make our laws should have this important publication. The Religious Liberty Bureau and the various conferences will see that those included in this class are supplied with it.

And now we wish our brethren and sisters throughout the field to take it upon themselves to see that various other classes are supplied with it, such as mayors, members of town and city councils, judges, lawyers, ministers, school teachers and business men. Our Young People's Societies might see that the officers of various Young People's Societies in their locality have it, and, in addition, supply it to one or more of the other classes already mentioned.

Fifteen dollars will furnish one hundred copies of this magazine to as many addresses for one year; \$7.50, to fifty individuals; \$3.75, to twenty-five. Can we neglect so good and important a work for so small an expense? Let us take up this matter at once, and see that those who most need the instruction and the principles set forth in this magazine are supplied with it. Let them have it from the very first number. Send all orders to the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Takoma Park, Washington, D. C. See article "Give It a Wide Circulation," in the *Review* of May 3, 1906.

W. A. Colcord.

Elder Bates expected to start for Michigan several days ago to visit his Brother who is very ill.

Sabbath School and Young People's Department.

Field Lesson No. V.

For Sabbath, July 7.

Religions of India—(Continued.)

BY PROF. J. L. SHAW.

The Parsees, or fire worshipers, though few in number, are a very influential class of people in India. There are only about 100,000 of them, and they live mostly in Bombay. They do not burn their dead like the Hindus, or bury them as the Mohammedans, but instead give their dead to the birds of the air. We visited their Towers of Silence at Bombay, which are located in a park in the best part of the city. On these towers they place those who die. We saw large, mammoth vultures perched on trees near by waiting for the funeral trains to place a dead body on one of these Towers of Silence. It is said as soon as a body is placed on the frame of the tower, they sweep down and strip the flesh from it, often in less than ten minutes.

Buddhism is the religion of Burma and Ceylon. It takes its name from the founder, Gautama Buddha, who is said to have been born in 557 B. C. In their places of worship may be seen innumerable images of Buddha, of all sizes. Some of them are twice or three times as tall as a man. All over Burma are pagodas built in memory of Buddha. Some of these pagodas are very high and covered at great expense with gold leaf. We visited one which was 370 feet high, and its mammoth dome was covered with gold leaf. The Burmans claim that in the foundation of each of these pagodas is some remains of Buddha. It may be a tooth, or a lock of hair, or a bone. Buddha gave his followers ten commandments. The first five, which apply to the common people are, not to kill, not to steal, not to commit adultery, not to lie and not to be drunken.

Much more might be said about the religions of India. Suffice to say, none of them show men the way to salvation. The people have no Bible, no Saviour. They are sitting in the valley of the shadow of death. Their need is the Macedonian call for help.

Bible Lesson No. 5.

Scripture Reading, Isa. 1:2-9.

1. What is the nature of the first plague? Rev. 16:1, 2.

2. Upon whom does it fall? Same verse.

3. How will it effect those who have rejected the truth and fought against it? Zech. 14:12; Jer. 25:34-37.

4. Notice how different prophets describe this plague? Compare above texts with Hab. 3:5, margin.

5. What is the second plague? Rev. 16:3.

6. What are the conditions under the third plague? Rev. 16:4-7.

7. What reference does Joel make to the second and third plagues? Joel 2:30.

8. What will naturally be the effect of the second and third plagues upon those who are suffering from the first?

9. How only may we be protected in the day of God's wrath? Ps. 91:9, 10.

NOTE—Question 3; read Early Writings, page 142, last paragraph; Great Controversy, pages 654-57. Question 8, read Great Controversy, pages 628-29.

Field Lesson No. VI.

Some Things About the People of India.

Next to China, India is the most populous country on the globe. The census returns for 1901 give the population as 294,361,056, which is nearly four times that of the United States and equals one-fifth of the inhabitants of the globe.

The people of India are not of one race, nor of one language, but of many races and languages. There are more than one hundred languages and dialects spoken in India. Some of the most common are the Hindi, Bengali, Telegu, Marathi, Punjabi, and Tamel.

To the newcomer the people of India may all appear alike, and it is true they have a general resemblance; yet there is a marvel of difference both in race, temperament and physique. Many of the people on the plains are weak and timid, while those in the mountains are strong and warlike. The Sikhs, who are the giants of India, are in intellect inferior to the weak yet brainy Bengali Babus of Bengal. The Sikhs are chosen by the British government as soldiers, and nearly all of them are over six feet in height. The body guard of the Viceroy of India are all Sikhs. Some of the hill people perform remarkable feats of strength. It is not unusual in the vicinity of Darjeeling to see women with loads of from one to three hundred pounds upon their backs. We often have seen women carrying a little one in their arms, while plying their knitting needles as they merrily trudge up the mountain side with a heavy load strapped to their backs.

There is a difference in the mental development of East Indians which is more noticeable than their difference in physique. Many of the poor coolies hardly know their right hand from their left, while the Brahmans possess rare gifts of mental ability. We get our algebra from the Hindus through the Arabs. Our decimal system of notation and Arabic numerals came west from India during the Brahmanic period. Is it not sad that minds so clever should know nothing of the gospel of Christ? We say with the Psalmist, "O send thy light and thy truth."

Bible Lesson No. 6.

1. Of what will the fourth plague consist? Rev. 16:8, 9.

2. How will the people feel? Amos 8:13.

3. How will it effect the land? Nah. 1:4; Isa. 50:2.

4. Will the animals suffer also? Joel 1:15-20.

5. What special assurance have God's people during this plague? Isa. 25:4.

6. What is the fifth plague? Rev. 16:10.

7. What does Isaiah say of this plague? Isa. 30:10; 5:30.

8. Compare Joel 2:31, which speaks of "wonders in the heavens" before the great day of the Lord, with Joel 2:10, 11 and 3:15, which evidently refer to the fifth plague.

9. How is this plague described by another prophet? Amos 5:18-20.

10. What will be the fate of those who continue to reject God's mercy till the day of wrath comes? Prov. 1:24-31; Rev. 16:10, 11.

Kang Chang O.

I was interested in what you wrote about the Colorado young people supporting a worker in Korea, and you may assure them for me that their efforts for and interest in these fields is appreciated by us who are laboring here. I am glad to report that we have a worker in Korea whom you can claim as yours. His salary approximates the amount you have appropriated for this field, being \$108.00 a year. His name is Kang Chang O, and I might describe him as Brother Lim Ki Pan's "running mate;" for it was he who went with us all through our first labors in Korea. He is a young man about twenty-two years old and has a wife and child. I formed a strong attachment for him during my stay in Korea. I will write you more about him from time to time. Yours as ever.

Very sincerely,

F. W. Field,
Tokio, Japan.

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NOTES AND ITEMS.

Brother Charles Lightner is visiting friends in Nebraska.

Prof. B. F. Yeoman is assisting in the music at the Loveland tent meeting.

Mr. C. Parker and Miss Nannie Parker of Longmont made the office a pleasant call last week.

Elder Watson returned to Palisade June 28, where he will spend a little time before camp meeting.

We are glad indeed to hear that Sister Herrell is a little better. She is still at the Place Sanitarium at Boulder.

Particulars in regard to reduced railroad rates for the coming camp meeting will be announced in the next ECHOES.

Mrs. S. F. Svensson of Idaho Springs is visiting friends in Denver and Boulder before entering the Bible work for the Conference.

Elder J. L. Shaw is attending the campmeeting at Basin, Montana. We rejoice to know that he is able to be in the field again.

Elder Kennedy writes that the tent meetings at Collbran are quite well attended and some are becoming interested in the truth.

Sister Sarah Hodges writes encouragingly of work in Ouray. They are conducting a little Sabbath school, and the Lord is blessing them.

Church clerks and secretaries of Sabbath school and Young People's societies, please be prompt in sending in your quarterly reports.

Sister Lida Moore writes from Raton, N. M., that the work is progressing nicely, and she has hopes of seeing some take their stand for the truth soon.

Mrs. P. B. Shafer and Miss Lola French of Palisade have moved to College View, Neb. Miss French expects to enter Union College this fall.

The workers engaged in the tent meetings at Loveland are encouraged by a good attendance. Elder Watson visited them and spoke June 21st and 24th.

Elder Alway has joined Elder McIntosh in the tent meetings at Center, in the San Luis valley. They have a good congregation and are of good courage.

Brother L. S. Barger of Greeley stopped at the office last Friday. He was on his way to visit his old home in Illinois, where his family had already preceded him.

We are much pleased to see the subscriptions for ECHOES coming in so rapidly. The list is higher than for many months. Who will help us to reach the five hundred mark before campmeeting?

Sister Kissinger writes that they have again started a Sabbath school in Meeker, which had been discontinued for some time. There are still a few faithful ones there.

Brother H. Payton, who has been canvassing for Bibles at Idaho Springs, has just returned to his home in Cripple Creek. He reports quite good success in his work.

Does every family in your church have ECHOES? If not, will you not ask them to take it. They need what it contains, and that is the easiest way to pay for its publication.

Brother E. E. Farnsworth expects to visit the camp meetings in Nebraska in the interests of the educational and Young People's work. Our young people will be glad to know that Brother Farnsworth will be connected with the faculty of Union College the coming year.

Union College has published an address by Prof. Lewis entitled "The Advantages of a College Education." The proceeds from its sale will be used to better equip the physical culture department of the college. The price is ten cents, though a large sum, sent for the purpose mentioned would be appreciated.

Dr. Willard Hills went to Roswell, N. M., last week to attend the marriage of his daughter, Miss Genevieve, to Mr. Homer Graham, recently of Denver. We are informed that Mr. Graham is in business in Roswell, and that they will make their home there. The young people are well known and their many friends will be pleased to join the ECHOES in many wishes for happiness and prosperity.

We have a very encouraging letter from Sister Barnes of Hotchkiss. The little company there have, by earnest effort, provided themselves with a meeting house. They built the walls of lumber, and purchased a tent in Denver for the top. No doubt they feel very happy to have this place of worship, and we rejoice with them. We trust that God will bless their efforts and sacrifice by adding some souls to their number.

The School Board and Conference Committee met at Campion, June 25th, and took steps to begin work on the Campion Academy building immediately. This will come as good news to

many. Before another ECHOES is published, a good start will doubtless be made on the building. Those in charge are going ahead by faith, but only to expend the money that is on hand. Let us come up to the help of the Lord, brethren and sisters, so that the work need never be stopped because the funds are exhausted.

Obituaries.

Died—Mry 15, 1906, at Alamosa, Mrs. Luella S. Arain. Sister Arain gave her heart to the Lord about two months ago, and though a great sufferer, was perfectly resigned to her lot. No tongue can tell what the peace of Jesus was worth to her during the last days of her sickness. Words of comfort were spoken by Judge Holbrook. M. Mackintosh.

Mrs. Nancy I. Brown, born in Benton county, Ark., Oct. 4, 1860, and died in Salida, Colo., May 20, 1906. Sister Brown united with the Seventh-Day Adventist church about twenty-eight years ago, and was a faithful and consistent member till the time of her death. She leaves a husband and six children to mourn their loss. She was one of the most earnest and substantial members of the Salida church, and will be greatly missed by the remaining members. For many years Brother and Sister Brown have lived in Salida, and the love and esteem of the people were shown by the very large number who attended the service. It was the largest funeral ever held in that section. Services by the writer.

Meade MacGuire.

Notice.

The regular quarterly meeting for the West Denver church will be held at the close of the 11 o'clock service, Sabbath, July 7th. Let our people all plan to be present.

G. W. Anglebarger.

Important Notice.

We wish to call attention of church officers to the fact that it is time to elect delegates to the coming state conference. Please do not neglect this. Avoid the confusion and extra work and time required to arrange this on the camp ground. The rule for church representation is one delegate for the organization and one for each fifteen members. Elect your delegates and send the names to the undersigned as soon as possible.

Meade MacGuire,

Conference Secretary.