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"Seek Ye First the Kingdom."

One of the most hopeful indications among our people as a whole, is their willingness to receive instruction on things pertaining to their duty to themselves, to their fellowmen, and to God. As a people our attitude is: "Speak, Lord, for thy servant heareth!"

In counseling His children the Lord passes none by. From the individual occupying the highest position of honor and grave responsibilities in this message, down to the man and woman of one talent, to the eye of man obscure, God has sent forth "precept upon precept; line upon line; here a little, there a little," that all might become acquainted with His will as touching all things relating to life; and all this to the intent that we at last may hear from the lips of our Saviour, "Well done," and enter into the habitations of eternity.

In the Bible is found such instruction. In the Testimonies for the remnant are found the great principles of practical Christianity drawn out in detail. Among other things the Lord teaches us that we owe to Him a tenth of our income. We can ill afford to miss the blessing that comes to him who heeds the call: "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse," for, of that blessing,

God says: "There shall not be room enough to receive it!" Of such an experience the Psalmist exclaims: "My cup runneth over!" Truly, "to be spiritually minded is life and peace," and we are furthermore told that "if spiritually awake, the followers of Christ will hear in the income of every week, whether much or little, the voice of God and of conscience, with authority demanding the tithes, and offering due the Lord." Vol. 4, p. 474.

Again: "As laborers together with God, the officers of the church should be sound upon this plainly revealed question. The ministers themselves should be strict to carry out to the letter the injunctions of God's word."

"Beware of covetousness," said Jesus. It is one of the sins which make the last days "perilous." The Master's solemn warning is, "Take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be over-charged with * * * cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares." "I saw that Satan bade his angels lay their snares especially for those who were looking for Christ's second appearing, and keeping all the commandments of God. Satan told his angels, 'Go, make the possessors of lands and money drunk with cares. * * * They may profess what they please, only make them care more for money than for the success of Christ's kingdom or the spread of the truths we hate.'" Early Writings, p. 128.

"Especially should the minister keep himself free from every worldly entanglement, and bind himself to the Source of all power. * * * He should cut loose from everything that would in any way divert his mind from God and

the great work for this time." Vol. 5, p. 531. "Ministers should have no separate interest aside from the great work of leading souls to the truth. Their energies are all needed here. They should not engage in * * * any business aside from this one great work." Vol. , p. 470.

As it is written, "Give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. * * * Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them." And again: "No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life."

How solemn the call: "Brethren. God calls upon you, both ministers and laymen, to listen to His voice speaking to you in His word. Let His truth be received into the heart, that you may be spiritualized by its living, sanctifying power. Then let the distinct message for this time be sent from watchman to watchman on the walls of Zion." H. M. W., p. 24. W. A. THEO. MILLER.

The Demands of the Hour.

You will observe in the "Christian Liberty" department of the *Review*, of December 26, 1907, an article announcing that three Sunday bills have already been introduced into Congress. The text of these bills is given in the article. Two of these bills were introduced into the House of Representatives, and relate to the District of Columbia; the other was introduced into the Senate, and relates to the postoffice department.

Three Sunday bills introduced into Congress at this early date should be a signal to every Seventh-Day Adventist to arouse to the demands of the hour.

We are preparing petition blanks and appropriate literature for use by our

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people in making their protest against these bills.

After examining the three Sunday bills referred to, we would urge that you commence at once to write your respective Senators and Representatives in Congress, protesting against the passage of these proposed measures. The letters should be short and courteous, but earnest. Ask the Lord to give you special help in writing.

We also wish to request you to write us a letter of introduction to any member of Congress with whom you are acquainted. This, we believe, would be a material help to us when interviewing them upon these important issues.

K. C. RUSSELL.

Religious Liberty.

Work while the day lasts; the night cometh when no man can work. We little realize the earnest efforts put forth by the National Reformers in our midst.

At a recent night meeting of the Denver Christian Citizenship Union where the writer was present, the Sabbath issue was discussed by lawyers and ministers.

The entire meeting was characterized by a most intense desire to secure civil legislation, to establish Sunday as a church Sabbath and also a civil Sabbath.

The speaker, who is a lawyer in this city, remarked, "This nation's laws are made for the majority, and our Seventh Day Keeping friends surely must submit in the matter of keeping Sunday."

In a folder which lies before me, prepared by the Rev. J. M. Wiley, I read the following:

"The right of the STATE to require reverence of the Lord's Day, rests on the authority of Christ as a Creator."

"There could be no freedom to worship, if the state did not prescribe cessation from labor."

"The law of rest for all, disobeyed, destroys the hope of rest for many."

Notice these statements: First; the majority must speak, and their word is to rule in matters of Sabbath keeping. Christ is declared to be on their side, but any school boy would tell you that Christ never advocated such a principle. If these men had been living in His day, their voices would have said: "Better one man die than the whole nation perish," as said the murderers of our Saviour.

God never prescribed Sunday as a day of rest. It rests solely on the authority of the power who thinks to change time and laws.

And if anyone does not so rest it destroys the rest for all, they say. Then there has surely never been any real rest on Sunday, for since God created man on earth till now, there have been some faithful Sabbath keepers who kept, not Sunday, the first day, but Saturday, the seventh day, and this will be so till the end, for *some will not* worship the beast nor receive his mark.

And since our state has reached a time when its pastors advocate such measures, who cannot see the emblem of liberty trailing in the dust. One man, a pastor, advocated stronger measures. When told that the maximum fine for keeping open saloons on Sunday was \$500, he said: "THAT IS A GOOD FINE, BUT IT NEEDS AN ADDITIONAL CLAUSE TO PREVENT WORK AND FROM 18 MONTHS TO TWO YEARS IN PRISON." That is the method of one who professes to be a follower of Him, who said: "If any man hear my word and believe not, I Judge him not."

Brethren, let us arise and scatter this truth. Persecution will come. We can begin to see it now. Let us so acquit ourselves that when the time is fully here, our work is truly finished.

C. A. HANSEN, M. D.

FIELD REPORTS.

Good News from the Field.

Since the first of December I have visited the following churches: Boulder, Denver, Fort Morgan, Wray, Palisade, and Grand Junction. I much enjoyed my stay with our brethren in Boulder, and feel sure that God is working upon the hearts of the people of that beautiful city. I believe that the Central Union Conference which is soon to be held there will be a great blessing to the Colorado Conference as well as the Boulder church.

I spent the Week of Prayer with the church at Wray and in the surrounding country. The members in the Wray church are doing all they can for the advancement of this grand message.

Elder Long has been doing a good work in Fort Morgan and I believe that a strong church will yet be raised up in that place. Officers were elected and an elder ordained, which, I am sure, will be a blessing to the little church.

The work in Grand Junction is onward. The faithful work carried on by Miss Lida Moore in connection with the

church will yet bear fruit such as shall be saved in God's kingdom.

Palisade is a very interesting point in our Conference. A large congregation meets every Sabbath for the services. Our academy is full of youth and children. The three teachers there are God-fearing, energetic and untiring in their efforts to train the children entrusted to them, not only for the kingdom of God, but for service in giving this message. If we are true to this message a few years more we will see the final consummation. One prayer should go up from every true Seventh-Day Adventist's heart, and that is, that each one will be kept in the love of the truth, which has made us all what we are.

The work in Denver is increasing every month. Elder Anglebarger has been very poorly this winter, but we are glad he is getting better. He has worked hard and the Lord has given him souls for his hire, for which we unite with him in praising the Master whom we serve.

May God bless the work and workers in the dear old Colorado Conference.

G. F. WATSON.

Calcutta, India.

We are pleased to receive the report of the recent camp meetings in the ECHOES. I am delighted to see that the work in Colorado is in line with the general work. You may be sure that your voting \$7,000.00 to foreign mission work brings joy to the hearts of those who are laboring to bring this message to the people of these foreign lands. The people are making the best investment of their means that it is possible to make, for in the day of final distribution of the earth among the saints, those who have given their lives and means for the good of a foreign field will have first consideration when that field is finally divided among those who are to possess it forever. When the curse is removed and the earth stands forth in its primitive beauty, I would be delighted with a possession in India. It now rivals the best scenery which America can produce.

Last week I returned from a trip to the north, visiting Mussoorie, where our Mountain Rest Home is located. It has an ideal climate, equal to Colorado. This is the place where our Sanitarium work will most likely be located in the near future.

You will be pleased to hear that the

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interest among the native Christians is increasing in a marked manner. Several native preachers and workers are taking their stand with us. They have the language and the knowledge of how to reach their people. God is truly setting His hand to work. The secret of successful work in these fields is in keeping close to the throne by prayer and then improving every opportunity.

We have an advantage in being vegetarians, which brings us in contact with certain classes that otherwise we could not help. Our health principles are truly entering wedges in these countries. We have doors opened to us for lectures on these subjects which make friends for our work.

We have all India and Burma before us as a field. No other institutions in these vast countries stand for these same principles. Compare this work with the home land and think what a work and what opportunities lie before this people.

We are very short of a good lady nurse who understands surgical preparations. I hope some one will feel impressed to come and help us in this line.

We have much to be thankful for ~~as we are feeling quite well, considering what we have passed through.~~ The heat in Calcutta is very great, and one is quite fagged out after a year of it.

The Rest Home at Mussoorie will prove a blessing to many a worn worker from the plains and will prevent many of the former breakdowns.

Will not those who have strong faith, who have learned how to pray and plead with God, take our work before God frequently? I have much confidence in the results which follow earnest prayer. We need such help.

H. C. MENKEL.

Cripple Creek.

As it has been some time since you have heard from the Cripple Creek church, we thought the readers of the ECHOES would enjoy a report of the work here.

Elder Corbaley has been with us since November 22, and we have had many good meetings and heart to heart talks which we needed so much. He is holding meetings five nights a week at the church, besides giving many Bible readings to those outside the church. We only regret that he has to leave us so soon and think that if he could stay with us longer much good could be ac-

complished. As the result of his work here, eight were baptised Sunday, three adults and five children.

We are very thankful to say that "Sister Prayer Meeting," of the Cripple Creek church, is not dead, but alive and prosperous. To God be all the praise and glory.

We had a very good week of prayer and we all felt the nearness of the Lord. We have peace and harmony in our church, though there be but few. "Where there is unity there is strength." Our prayer is that each one may stand fast, and be grounded in the truth so that at His coming we will be glad to meet our Lord and Saviour who will take us to the home He has prepared for the righteous.

THOS. E. VANATA.

Campion Academy.

It is a self evident truth that a person with an education, other things being equal, can accomplish more for God in the spread of the Message than an uneducated person.

Are there not some who read this who believe that they could do better work if they spent a little time in school work.

Now is the second best time of the year to enter school. We have interesting classes in the Life of Christ and the study of the book of Revelation, also oratory, or public speaking and Latin, besides regular work in grammar, rhetoric, arithmetic, etc., that may profitably be taken up now. We aim to give especial attention and help to those who are backward in their work.

Brother Ralph Johnson, of Wellington, is the latest to begin school work with us.

We very much appreciated a visit and interesting talk from Elder G. B. Thompson last Wednesday.

Please let us know as soon as you can if you intend entering at the beginning of our last half year, Feb. 5, 1908.

FRANK A. PAGE.

Loveland, Colo., R. F. D. No. 3.

Tithe Report.

Report of Tithe and Mission Offerings for Quarter ending December 31, 1907:

Arvada	\$ 81.40
Alamosa	120.40
Albuquerque	79.20
Alamogordo	19.80
Boulder	691.06
Berthoud	30.90
Colorado Springs	251.98
Cripple Creek	61.95
Canon City	123.65
Capitol Hill	333.34
Cedaredge	16.95
Denver	412.58
Delta	185.20
Fort Collins	115.92
Florence	45.90
Fruita	24.15
Fort Morgan	30.25
Farmington	88.60
Grand Junction	133.60
Greeley	82.98
Glenwood Springs	146.97
Hotchkiss	39.75
Hygiene	326.60
Hagerman	81.18
Idaho Springs	47.52
Longmont	186.37
Loveland	154.14
LaVeta	4.00
Lamar	35.81
La Junta	81.65
Leadville	13.82
Monte Vista	138.90
Meeker	2.95
Niwot	64.51
Pueblo	382.85
Palisade	1,220.40
Peaceful Valley	94.45
Rocky Ford	69.55
Roswell	259.72
Salida	33.35
Telluride	110.75
Trinidad	35.15
Uncompahgre	108.70
Victor	15.75
Villa Grove	9.50
Wray	206.11
Individuals	308.00
	\$8198.35

First Day Offerings.....	\$ 230.98
Annual	387.95
Birthday	106.55
India	98.00
Sabbath School	511.16
O. F. T. D.	839.80
South	385.70
Africa	25.73
	\$2645.87

Report of Canvassing Work for Four Weeks Ending Jan. 11, 1908.

AGENTS	HORRS	EX.	ORD.	VAL.	DEL.	VAL	NAME OF BOOK
L B Schick	7	4	..	1.20	17	87.90	Great Contro.
A G Nelson	45	72	22	12.75	6	62.75	"
G E Darby	35	45	10	26.75	7	26.20	"
S O Doane	64	55	17	27.00	1	2.50	Dan. and Rev.
R M Dennis	8	5	2	3.50	24	13.55	Coming King
Effie Hudspeth	19	24	2	5.75	24	80.70	Great Contro.
M D Lansten	21	23	3	28.00	..	..	Dan. and Rev.
C F Innis	33	81	9	45.00	..	4.60	Great Contro.
Fred P Payne .....	..	..	..	..	65	125.25	Coming King.
Miscellaneous	163	108	36	285.85	47	249.73	Miscellaneous
TOTALS	417	101	..	\$435.80	191	\$653.18	

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Brother Anderson of Kersey, was in Denver last week.

Elder Watson spent last Sabbath with the Idaho Springs church.

Elder Curtis has moved his family from Palisade to Hotchkiss.

Brother F. Vanata, of Telluride, is attending school in Fort Collins.

We hope many are preparing to attend the coming Canvasser's Institute.

Brother and Sister Andrus have moved from Longmont to Spokane, Wash.

"Higher than the highest human thought can reach, is God's ideal for his children."

Brother J. D. Vincent, one of our faithful canvassers, has gone to his home in Caney, Kansas.

"A great name among men is like letters traced in sand; but a spotless character will endure through all eternity."

Dr. Wiggins, of Battle Creek, Mich., visited Capitol Hill church recently. The Doctor thinks of locating in Denver.

Elder E. T. Russell went to Boulder last Friday to prepare for the Central Union Conference, which begins January 23.

Brother Nelson is having good success in selling Spanish books to the Mexicans in and near Roswell, New Mexico.

Watch for the blue cross on your ECHOES. If you see it, it means that you will miss something you need, if you do not renew at once.

Many encouraging field reports will appear in our next issue. We regret that all of these could not be published this week, but space would not permit.

Prices on nearly all of our publications have been increased. If you think of canvassing, be sure and write us for a late catalog before soliciting orders.

We have excellent Religious Liberty tracts for only \$1.25 per thousand, postage or express added. We expect a large order from every church in the Conference.

Sister G. F. Watson visited friends in Denver last week. Sister Watson will attend the Central Union Conference

in Boulder before returning to her home in Palisade.

We have just received word from the Missionary Volunteer Department of the General Conference that the Morning Watch calendars are nearly ready for circulation.

35,000 copies of the January number of *Life and Health* have already been sold. An excellent number has been prepared for the February issue, and orders for this number should be sent in at once.

The statistics from the Kansas City house show that they sold \$15,223.33 worth of books to the Colorado Tract Society last year, which was more than was sold to any other Conference in the Central Union.

In response to the request of the Conference Committee, Elder G. B. Thompson, of the General Conference, has been spending a little time among the churches in Colorado. Accompanied by Elder MacGuire he has visited Palisade, Canon City, Boulder, Greeley, Fort Collins, Longmont and Denver. Doubtless a report will be given later.

Brother Charles Innis secured orders for \$45.00 worth of books in thirty-three hours in Berthoud last week. He says: "I have had a few trials, but, we glory in tribulations also; knowing that tribulation worketh patience and patience experience, and experience hope, and hope maketh not ashamed because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us." I am trusting God every hour and this is the only way I can have success in this work."

He Was Ready to Go.

With sadness we announce to our young people in the Colorado Conference, the death of Lewis DeRush, of Palisade. He was a young man with bright hopes and a great desire to be a worker in the vineyard of the Lord. He said to his nurse: "Were it not for father and mother, and my little brothers and sisters, and, last, but not least, the work of my Master, I would be willing to rest until the morning of the resurrection. But I would like to live to help spread this message, if the Lord will raise me up." Dear young people, we cannot understand why the Lord did not raise our Brother Lewis to health, but He did not and undoubtedly His

own name will get glory because of the Christian life that was lived by our dear one who sleeps awaiting the morning of the first resurrection. We sorrow not as others who have no hope, for we are sure that Lewis was ready to go. Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from Luke 8:52. May this affliction work for Brother and Sister DeRush and the dear ones in their home for the best good and glory of their Master.
G. F. WATSON.

Institutes for Canvassers.

We expect to hold a two weeks' institute at Canon City, beginning Feb. 17, for the southern part of the State. All who have consecrated themselves to the Lord for service are invited to come and get a better preparation for the work. Instruction's free.

For the canvassers in the northern part of the state there will be an institute at Hygiene, beginning the 9th of March. We hope to have the services of one of our ministers at each institute. All who expect to attend either of these important meetings please write to me at once, so we may better know how to prepare for you. The scholarship plan is open to our young people. The Lord did a wonderful work by the faithful canvassers in 1907 and He can do a much greater work during 1908, if we will only believe Him and go forward in His work.
J. J. JOBE.

Obituary.

Mrs. Louise Bowers, wife of William Bowers, fell asleep in Jesus Wednesday night, at 10.20, November 6, 1907, from a complication of diseases, aged 73 years. She delighted in deeds of kindness. She was sick for several months, but was patient and faithful to the last. She leaves a husband, three sons and two daughters to mourn; but they mourn not as those who have no hope. We believe she will come from the land of the enemy. She was a christian all her life, but accepted advanced light eleven years ago, and has conscientiously lived the Adventist faith ever since. Elder States conducted the funeral services, and we laid her to rest in Hotchkiss cemetery.

"A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we loved is stilled;
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled."

NELLIE BARNES.