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GENERAL ARTICLES.

DISCIPLINE.

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[Continued.]

In this life the child of God is not permitted to pass judgment on motives and hidden features of character. "Judge not." Matt. 7:1. "Condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned." Luke 6:37. "Thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest." Rom. 2:1. "Let us not therefore judge one another any more." Rom. 14:13.

Christ "has not committed to us the work of judging character and motives." "Christ's Object Lessons," p. 71. Nevertheless, there are certain things in life we see and hear and know; and with reference to these oftentimes we are required to act—solemnly act in the fear of God. "By their fruits ye shall know them." Matt. 7:20. "Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbor, and not suffer sin upon him." That thou bear not sin for him." Lev. 19:17. (See marginal rendering.) "And the judges shall make diligent inquisition: and, behold, if the witness be a false witness . . . then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought to have done unto his brother: so shalt thou put the evil away from among

you." Deut. 19:18, 19. "If he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican." Matt. 18:17. "Put away from among yourselves that wicked person." 1 Cor. 5:13.

Christ has plainly taught that "those who persist in open sin must be separated from the church."—Christ's Object Lessons, p. 71.

"The God of heaven is a God of order, and he requires all his followers to have rules and regulations, and to preserve order. Testimonies to the Church, No. 32, p. 30.

Decided efforts should be made to show those who are unchristian in their lives, their wrongs; and if they do not correct their lives, they should be separated from the precious and holy, that God may have a clean and pure people that he can delight in. "Dishonor him not by linking or uniting the clean with the unclean."—Testimonies to the Church, No. 1, p. 15.

Evidently, the reason why the Lord does not allow us to attempt the work of judging each other's motives, is because he knows we are not able to read another's mind; hence such work is very liable to be wholly, or in the greater part, wrong. But in the clearness of heaven's pure light, immortal saints, during the millennium, will be called to judge lost men and angels. "Judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the heart." Study Psa. 149:5 9. Jno. 7:24. 1 Cor. 6:1-3. Rev. 20:4, 12-15. "We should live . . . godly." Titus 2:12. "Godly" means *Godlike*—like our Pattern. We should frequently ask, "What would Jesus do, if here?" Or, "What did he, *when here?*" (Heb. 4:15.) As an husband, (Jer. 31:32,) what was his attitude towards the object of his love? "He

loved the church unto the end." Eph. 5:25. Jno. 13:1. How much did he love the church? He "gave himself for it" on Calvary! *Ibid.*

Then, to "live godly," how should men treat their wives? They should "love their wives as their own bodies." Eph. 5:28. Does the divine husband require obedience? He says, "Obey my voice." Jer. 11:7. Has the christian husband a right to expect obedience of his christian wife? Holy Writ enjoins, "Therefore, as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything." Eph. 5:24. Now, how fully do married people obey the requirements of wedded life? Let the divorce-stricken homes of the inebriate and the slothful man reply! Let all those who affirmatively answered these questions, viz.: "Do you take this woman to be your wedded wife, to love and keep her, . . . and, forsaking all others, to keep yourself unto her alone so long as you both shall live?" and, "Do you take this man to be your wedded husband, to love and obey him, . . . so long as you both shall live?" let all of this class of judgment-bound souls say whether they have kept inviolate these sacred, nuptial vows.

As we consider how general is the failure of husbands and wives to reach and maintain the divine standard of married life, is it any wonder that we see failure and heart-sickening confusion in all the social and business avenues of life?

Lord, pity and save thy remnant people.

Mrs. F. W. Patterson writes from the Colorado Springs Vegetarian Cafe as follows: "Business is prospering and growing daily. We are all of good courage and thankful to the Lord for his kindly leadings.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

Conducted by MRS. G. F. WATSON.

CONVENTION REPORTS.

Cripple Creek.

Our convention was very interesting. There were many good papers read which contained some very fine points, and if acted upon will make a great change in our Sabbath-school.

ADA BRANSFORD.

Meeker.

I thought I would let you know about our convention. All were deeply interested in it, and many new and interesting thoughts were brought to light. Members from Buford and Hayden were present. We hope sometime to have another.

LULU FORD.

Pitkin.

Our convention was, I believe, enjoyed by all; the papers were good and some few were excellent, I thought. All took part in the discussions, and the interest did not seem to lag. One thing in the right direction, according to my notion, was this: 'twas decided to hold a teacher's meeting each Sabbath which was not held before.

DR. ELLEN BRIMER.

Grand Junction.

Our convention was eminently a success in every way. The attendance was not quite as large as might have been wished, but the interest manifested by those present was the very best; especially were the discussions lively, practical and right to the point. It was not simply one of the pleasant occasions of the school, but one which we have every reason to believe will prove a lasting benefit.

J. A. NEILSON.

Paonia.

As school signifies learning, we came together Sabbath, July 19, to learn something we had not known. The teachers should realize to the fullest extent that in order to give, we must first receive the light to impart to others; and that Christ and the Word are the only source whereby we may obtain the truth that may be felt by others around us. The Sabbath-school is the nursery of the church, and we should so study the Word for ourselves that we may be able to set it before the small children in such a simple, practical way that they may readily grasp it. It was brought out here that our special duty was to bring more

into the Sabbath-school. We cannot teach people the truth if we do not interest them or become interested in them. We decided that when the school is larger, larger donations will naturally follow. What we need most just now is a suitable place for the Sabbath-school to meet.

Alamosa, Monte Vista and Bowen.

Instead of holding a convention during Sabbath-school hour in the Valley on the 19th of July, the Alamosa, Monte Vista and Bowen schools held a union meeting at Bowen. It has taken considerable persuasion to get our people to hold these meetings, because they did not believe they would be of much benefit. However, we have held three in the past three months, resulting in a complete change of sentiment. Each convention has been voted a grand success and better than the preceding one. One point made at the Bowen meeting that may be of benefit to all our schools, I will mention: In the paper, "How shall we improve our school from the standpoint of a Scholar?" it was suggested that at the close of the quarter, each student write a review of the quarter's lessons, to be read before the class and then given to a committee, who would grade the papers just as they would public school work, and report the result to the school. Many of our scholars are backward about answering questions in class; usually a small percent answer nearly all the questions and get the credit of being the best students. We have been greatly perplexed to know how to deal with the bashful ones, and feel that the written review will be a great help, since all expressed themselves as very much pleased with the idea, and willing to take part.

M. MACKINTOSH.

Idaho Springs.

Our first session was held at 10:30 a. m., at which time the leader, Sister McDonald, spoke of the importance of Sabbath-school work, and of laying plans for successfully carrying on the work: "Order and discipline are necessary that the work of the Sabbath-school may have the approval of heaven. The Lord is always ready to bless our efforts if we do the best we can."

"It was the presence of God in the burning bush which made the ground on which Moses stood holy, and it is the presence of the Lord in the Sabbath-school which will make the work a success. His presence makes the place holy. We should stand in awe and be reverent in the place where we

meet with God. Insist on order. If one method fails try another. Let everything be done decently and in order. We should cultivate our qualifications, and correct our failings. We are judged by the order of our schools. If they are well conducted, people will be attracted to God and the truth by our good conduct."

There were several papers read; some by the children, were especially bright and interesting. One paper showed the importance of studying God's Word that we may know what he has in his Word for us. Another paper showed the glories of the new earth, the ascension of Jesus and promise of his second coming to receive us unto himself. The new earth will be very beautiful and all its inhabitants will be sinless.

Another paper pointed out the blessings of learning our lessons perfectly. The way of God is life, and we must know his way perfectly.

The exercises were interspersed with spiritual song services which were well rendered.

In the afternoon session, a Scripture reading on the subject of the "talents" showed our accountability to God for opportunities and the blessing received by improving them to the glory of God. Several papers were read which pointed out the duties and privileges in Sabbath school work. A paper by one of the children, showed how we can help our classmates. Our influence is for either good or evil. Let us pray that it may always be for good.

A liberal collection was taken up at the close.

JAS. HARVEY.

Fort Collins Union Convention.

Previous showers did not prevent a good attendance from the schools invited, and an earnest spirit of truth-seeking seemed to prevail. The day was spent with unusual interest and profit to all. Brother Colcord who was elected chairman for the morning session, prefaced the program with a good, spicy talk full of helpful advice. I will quote briefly from the four papers which were prepared, and read in the following order:

"Primary Work In The Sabbath-school."—Sister Ziegler.

"Reverence For the House of God"—Florence Welty.

Teachers and Teacher's Meetings"—Brother Clemens.

"Discipline"—Eld. Colcord.

"A farmer was once asked how he came to have such a fine flock of sheep. His answer was, 'I take care of the lambs.'

"The Savior's first command was, 'Feed my lambs.' Illustrate by simple drawings on the blackboard. You need not be an artist to do this; the children's vivid imaginations will do the rest. And as Eld. Colcord has said, 'Do not place the fodder too high for the little lambs;' better have them in a Sabbath-school by themselves than to keep them among the older pupils when the lessons are too far advanced for them. Parents, by all means do not say, 'I was too busy to teach the lesson to the little ones,' as they will imitate you and say also, 'I was too busy.' This will not be, if parents realize their sacred calling,—that God has intrusted to them the care of his little lambs."

"Ye shall keep my Sabbaths and reverence my sanctuary, I am the Lord."

"In the olden time every devoted thing was called 'most holy' when dedicated to God. Was your church building thus dedicated? Do you realize that you are in the actual presence of the King of kings when you enter his courts? Think of the respect which earthly sovereigns demand, and then compare them with Almighty God. 'God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of his saints, and to be held in reverence of all them that are about him.' Let us not be put to shame by the mere professors of Christianity, who have trained their sons and daughters to enter the church with uncovered head and hushed voice, so that a visitor feels that he is in an unusual atmosphere when he enters there. Even this outward manifestation of reverence, has this virtue: That it leads to a genuine regard for things sacred. We cannot afford to ignore even one of God's requirements. With David, let us say, 'But as for me, I will come into Thy house in the multitude of Thy mercy, and in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy holy temple.'"

"Teachers must have an experimental knowledge of that which they teach. Let the teacher impart to his class that joy and inspiration which he gains through a prayerful preparation of the lesson during the week."

"The power of example and the mighty effect of influence must be carefully considered."

This paper was followed by a very interesting exercise illustrating the right and the wrong ways of teaching a Sabbath-school class. Sister Colcord's excellent suggestions relative to teaching were thankfully received. The model class and model teacher

were a highly enjoyable feature of this exercise.

Eld. Colcord's paper on "Discipline" was very timely and to be heartily enjoyed, should be quoted verbatim. In the light of eternity, is there a more vital subject?

"You don't love your children when you let them go as-slack-as-an old untwisted tow string; *the way to have good discipline, is to ALWAYS have good discipline.*"

The indispensable question box concluded the program, and 'twas decided to enjoy the delights of another such day on the third Sabbath in October, next.

FLORENCE WELTY, Sec.

A Missionary Home.

The East Denver missionary society has opened a training class in hydrotherapy treatments, massage, electricity etc., at their missionary home, 1557 Penn. Ave., Denver, Colo.

The sessions will be held each Tuesday morning from 9 to 12. Sister Menkel will have charge of the class and will be present from 10 to 12. All sisters who are interested in this work are cordially invited to be present at these classes, and bring anyone who is also interested and would like the treatments. Dr. A. K. Bliven, the physician in charge, will be at the home every Wednesday afternoon from 3 to 5 p. m. to see any patients who desire to be treated at the home.

Missionary meetings will be held Thursday afternoon at 3 p. m. After that, treatments will be given. All are cordially invited.

MRS. W. H. PROUDFIT, Lib.

Field Note.

I joined Eld. States and family at Paonia, in tent effort June 23, and remained with them until Aug. 11, during which time many of the citizens of Paonia and the surrounding country heard the notes of the Third Angel's message and a few good souls declared themselves willing to obey, and we trust that others will embrace the opportunity before the tent is taken down. The work will be followed up by Eld. States, assisted by C. A. Frederick. During my stay but two public collections were taken up, amounting to \$14.10. Book sales, \$16.50. We hope that a neat little house of worship will be erected before the effort is concluded.

G. F. WATSON.

Bible Students' Library, numbers 160 and 161 are out of print. No. 167 takes the place of No. 160.

An Oversight.

There is an oversight in the College calendar of page 10. The following paragraph which we clip from the last year's calendar should be inserted, as these regulations have not been changed.

As the work of the school is done by students, all members of the school family, both ladies and gentlemen, should bring suitable clothing for the purpose. Two long work aprons are a necessary part of the outfit.

Each boarder will furnish his own toilet soap, four towels, three napkins, napkin-ring, three pillow-cases, three sheets, a bed-spread, a pillow, and quilts or blankets. Those who come unprovided with these things will be required to purchase them here. *All articles should be plainly and durably marked with full name of owner.* A rug for the floor and a pair of curtains for the window would add much to the appearance of the student's room.

The Colporteur Wagon.

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—

I suppose you are all anxious to know how the colporteur wagon is getting along, so I will try to tell you a little about it. I commenced work June 12 and have canvassed all of North Park, and am now ready to go into Middle Park. The Lord has been very good to me in going before to open the way. From June 12 to July 22 I have taken orders and sold books to the amount of \$206.60.

I have traveled five hundred and twenty miles and distributed 6400 pages of tracts and 521 papers. To the Lord be all the praise.

W. H. MOORE.

Camp-Meeting.

The west side Grand Valley camp-meeting will be held, the Lord permitting, at Fruita, August 20-31.

Send in your orders for tents at once that all may be supplied and none disappointed. Bring cooking utensils and bedding.

We have a beautiful little grassy and shady park in which to pitch our tents. Come brethren and sisters, and bring your friends to the feast of good things which the Lord has for his people.

Remember there is no state camp-meeting this year.

H. M. J. RICHARDS,
Ouray, Colo.

Brother H. E. Woodward of Aspen made a flying trip to our city one day last week.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Miss Ruth Knudson has been enjoying a visit with friends at Cripple Creek.

Miss Genevieve Hills of Colorado Springs, is spending her vacation in Denver, the guest of Mrs. Herrell.

Mrs. Ruth Olson and mother returned from California last Friday evening, after an absence of several months.

Brother G. Phillips has moved his family from Springdale, Arkansas, to Colorado. They arrived in Denver the 13th inst.

A short series of articles from the pen of W. A. Sweaney, on the Martinique disaster, will soon appear in the Signs. Look for them.

Mrs. Watson Ziegler, who has been assisting her husband in the meetings at Arvada, returned to her home near Ft. Collins, on Monday.

Eld. S. F. Svensson was called from his work at Aspen, to assist Brother Mackintosh in the Monte Vista Camp-meeting. They report an excellent meeting.

Miss Elva Green is spending a few days in Boulder, after which she expects to join Miss Celia in Chicago for a few weeks rest and visit with her brother, Dr. G. W. Green.

Judge Holbrook was in Denver last week arranging to locate his family at University Park, where his children will attend school during the winter. He gave the office a pleasant call.

Claude Copeland is spending a pleasant vacation with his parents, Brother and Sister Woodward of Aspen. He expects to return to his work at the medical college early in September.

Eld. Watson Ziegler solemnized the ordinance of baptism in the Denver church, Sabbath, August 16. Six candidates were buried in baptism as a result of the tent meetings at Arvada. Others expect to go forward soon.

Brother and Sister M. R. Proctor, who have been laboring at Victor for some time, stopped in Denver last Thursday on their way to Iowa. They are both in poor health and think it advisable to take a much needed rest.

Elds. Richards and Spring are planning for a camp-meeting at Fruita, Aug 20-31, and hope it will be a spiritual feast to all our brethren and sisters in that locality. Surely none can afford to miss it. Come and bring your friends.

Sister Rees and Pearl of Kansas City, Mo., returned to Colorado for a short summer outing. They visited Mrs. Ada Brown at Cripple Creek, but the friends in Denver waited in vain to see them. We are sure they had a pleasant time.

Eld. G. F. Watson is home again after an absence of two months. He spoke to the Denver church on Sabbath, showing that *now* is the time when we must, by faith, store up the treasures of God's Word against the evil days which are to come.

We trust all our churches will order some of the special number of the Swedish and Danish-Norwegian papers, as they will be excellent to use in missionary work. In every community, with hardly an exception, we find some who speak the Scandinavian tongue, and we should place these numbers within their reach, and if possible get subscriptions for the papers.

The Book Work.

The Christmas holidays are again at hand, the best time of all the year to scatter the printed page. Come, brethren, shall we not see what we can do with the help of God in Colorado this year? We have the best territory in which to sell books that I know of, and yet our brethren everywhere are doing far more in this line than we are. Truly what was said of the Laodecean church is true of us in this respect.

Let all who wish to help in this work, write to me immediately in regard to the book you wish to handle, and territory. I say *immediately*, brethren, because the devil will have his agents in the field taking orders for Christmas the first of September, and if we hesitate, many a child will get for a present next Christmas a book that will help send him to eternal destruction; whereas, if we hurry, we may be the instruments in the hands of our Heavenly Father to carry them the message of salvation.

We have at least one hundred young men and women who could do a glorious work in this line, if they would give themselves unreservedly into the hands of the Lord for service. Come, brethren, let us rally round the banner of our King. M. MACKINTOSH.

Special Number.

There will be a special number of the Swedish and the Danish-Norwegian papers issued about the middle of September. Each of these papers will be a double number (32 pages) with a nice cover printed in colors. The con-

tents of these papers will be the very best that can be produced. Great effort is being put forth to have them the very best in every respect.

As nearly as possible there should be a copy of these papers put in the home of every Swedish and Norwegian family in the United States.

The prices will be as follows:

1-49 copies, . . . 5 cents a copy

50-499 copies, . . . 3 cents a copy

500 or more copies, 2 1/2 cts. a copy

Let all the churches having any Swedish or Norwegian population within their reach, at once arrange for a supply of these extra papers and the placing of the same in the homes of the people.

Order of Colorado Tract Society.

"A Twofold Apostasy," is the title of a tract of twenty-four pages, which deals with living issues. Eld. A. T. Jones said of this tract "Spread it everywhere," and that all who would spread it would thereby help to spread the third angel's message. Now is your opportunity to place it in the hands of your neighbors. Only a limited number are left. They are free, except postage. Only 16 cts. per 100. Address the author, Eld. H. F. Phelps, 118 W. Minnehaha Boulevard, Minneapolis, Minn.

An Experience.

I have carefully read the tract called "The Name," and circulated many of them while traveling, receiving many responses such as "Thank you," "That is a good work," and "I will read it and hand it to someone else." I have seen it read by young and old and then carefully treasured. It is indeed a message to those seeking deliverance from any evil habit. All about us are those who need such deliverance. Brethren, let us circulate this good tract. Price, 1 cent post-paid. Order of Colorado Tract Society.

O. E. CUMMINGS.

OBITUARY.

Mary Jane Collins fell asleep August 7, 1902, aged, 75 years, 1 month, and 18 days, after a lingering illness of many months.

She was born in Hardin Co., Ohio, June 20, 1827, and was a faithful member of the S. D. A. church at Salida for several years. Her hope grew brighter during her illness, and she fell asleep, knowing that a resurrection of the righteous dead was a promise of God whose word never fails.

Words of comfort were spoken by the writer from John 11:25 to a large number of friends and relatives. W. F. HILLS.

WANTED.

Help in running a hay press, threshing and other work. O. P. SVENSGUARD. Elbert Co., Elbert, Colo