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### HOPE.

*Hope, like the lightning, breaks the night.*

Adorns and cheers the way;

And still, as darker grows the night,

Emits a brighter ray.

—Goldsmith

## GENERAL ARTICLES.

### House to House Work.

I would earnestly suggest that all our people read again Elder Watson's article in ECHOES of February fourth, "Work in The Homes." We all need this admonition. The Apostle Paul taught the people in their homes, going from house to house. Acts 20:20. There never was a time when this kind of work could be done as effectually as now, with the many helps and facilities with which we are blessed for this closing work. Think of the good *Review*, *Signs*, and *Sentinel*, and our books and tracts, laden with the most important message the world ever heard. Should we not do all in our power to place this matter in the hands of the people? Will not the same Spirit of God which moved upon the hearts of his servants to write these things be with us as we try to give them to the people?

Let us look at this question from another point of view: more laborers are needed, but we have not the funds with which to support them. If we all, ministers licentiatees, Bible workers and missionaries would devote a portion of our time to canvassing and put the money into the Conference treasury how much good we could do, in a financial way; and brethren, may it not also be true in a spiritual sense?

While laboring in Cedar Rapids Iowa, recently, I spent about half my time selling books. God greatly blessed in this work and in my ministerial work also. Many were added to the Cedar Rapids church during this effort. The Iowa Conference paid me about three hundred dollars for all my time, and I was able to place back into the treasury about one hundred and fifty dollars from the book sales. This would keep another laborer in the field if he would follow the same course.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

### A CALL TO SERVICE.

The readers of our State paper will remember that we have been calling upon priest and people to go from home to home bearing the seeds of truth, in the form of books and tracts; and now the call is still more urgent. In our recent Conference Committee counsel the sale of "Object Lessons" was discussed and it was decided that we, as ministers, would do all in our power, to arouse our Conference workers and people for a two days' march.

Many have done well in the sale of this book, and have sold more

than their quota, and are still willing to work. Others have not done so well, and so we are behind as a Conference, in disposing of our full number. I feel sure that if all will work together during the two days now set apart (March 3-4), all our quota will be placed in the hands of the people and many souls will be saved as a result. If there are those who cannot go out with us at the appointed time, please send us your orders with the money, for as many books as you want, and take your own time to sell them. Come, let us do our part that the reward of eternal life may be ours.

G. F. WATSON.

### The Church School

Dear Brethren and Sisters:-

Through the medium of THE ECHOES, I wish, from week to week to talk with you on the subject of Education and especially Church School work.

We have among us a large number of children and youth, and we must look to them in the near future to fill the many calls for missionaries from all parts of the world. How very important that they receive the education that will both save them to the cause and missionary field. At some future time we will tell you why we believe the church and Conference schools are the best places for them to receive their training.

Just at present I am anxious to get in touch with the educational interests in all parts of the Conference, and to learn in what way the churches can best be benefited

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along these lines. I would be pleased to hear from church elders, Sabbath-school superintendents, young people's society leaders, and others with reference to the interests and needs of the church school work in your church. Do you wish to have your church visited, and studies conducted along these lines?

Especially do I wish to obtain the following information:

1st. How many churches want a church school next fall, and do you wish to be visited and helped?

2nd. I wish the names and addresses of those who with a little training, would make good church school teachers. Colorado would like to furnish her own teachers. Any one who knows of such young or middle aged people will confer a favor upon me by sending their names and addresses.

3rd. The names of all those who would attend our State Conference school the coming year, if such a school is started. The response to this will have much to do with the locating of such a school.

Are you interested in these things? Then help us by giving this and any other information which will be of use or interest.

Address me at Gunnison, Colorado.  
E. E. FARNSWORTH,  
Educational Sec'y.

### FIELD REPORTS.

#### Idaho Springs.

Our Convention was held Sabbath, February twenty-first, and we can truthfully state that it was a success. Several excellent papers were read upon the needs and importance of Sabbath-school work. A most valuable paper was read on the subject of "What is the Greatest Present Need in Our Sabbath-school, and How Shall it be Provided For?"

An excellent spirit was shown throughout, and the dear Lord blessed with his presence.

JAS. HARVEY.

#### Canon City.

Dear ECHOES:—We believe the church here to be gaining ground, taking it as a whole, and it is only in such a sense that we are to speak, I presume. At least four souls are expecting to receive baptism

soon and others are studying the Bible to find out what is truth.

We are planning to do *something*, at least, in circulating the late tracts, "We Would See Jesus," etc.

Our Sabbath-school Convention was held Sabbath, February, twenty-first.  
W. A. THEO. MILLER.

#### Cripple Creek.

"What Is the Greatest Present Necessity in Our School, and How Shall it be Provided For?" was the first paper read. Sisters Lapiere and Burchell took occasion to present a number of necessities, and Brother Vanatta led the discussion. Recitation, "Johnnie's Complaint," by Earle Webster. Brother Bates read an interesting paper on "How to Make the Teachers' Meetings More Practical and Instructive." Recitation, "The Dying Singer," by Essie McKenna.

Convention was dismissed by Brother Bates. ADA BRANSFORD.

#### La Junta.

Our Convention was held at the time appointed, February fourteenth. The first paper was read by Sister M. E. Connerly, subject, "Why Do We Come to Sabbath-school?" Sister Geiss read an interesting paper on "The Study of The Testimonies in the Sabbath-school." Sister Emma Duncan's subject was, "What should be the True Motive in all Our Services?" "Has the Sabbath-school Been a Help to You?" was the subject of a paper by Brother Wayne Duncan.

All present were unanimous in saying that the Convention was a success, and that they were greatly helped.  
WAYNE DUNCAN.

#### Among The Churches

After our Conference I visited Boulder, held several meetings and visited many of the members. Later I visited the church at Hygiene and held the quarterly meeting. The elder and deacon were ordained at this time. From Hygiene I went to Lyons and visited our dear people there. I did all I could to encourage them in the message. I next visited the Ni Wot church and held quarterly meeting with them.

In the latter part of January I

spent a few days with the Longmont church, holding quarterly meeting with them. Brother Hamilton was chosen as elder and Brother Nicks for deacon.

February 5-9 I was with our people at Fort Morgan. Several meetings were held with a lady and her son who were investigating the truth, and they seemed encouraged to take a firm stand. I next visited the scattered ones at Merino, Atwood, Sterling and Brush. I felt much of God's blessing as I tried to encourage these lonely ones.

Since our Conference I have obtained forty-six subscriptions for our papers and magazines, most of which are for the *Review*. I labored to encourage the old time spirit of the message in the hearts of our people. GEO. O. STATES.

#### Across the Seas—Holland.

Elder Conradi states in a late number of the *Review*, that as the result of developments in the work here, we have but forty-seven left who are Sabbath-keepers. I am convinced that we have not even that number, and that some who are still clinging feebly to the Sabbath will soon be gone.

While in Harlem I began Bible Readings with some, but our opposers gave out two tracts which have done us much harm. Many false statements are made which clearly show that where there is no true love for the truth, the people receive a spirit of delusion to believe a lie.

I said from the beginning, when the effort was made to do away with the heavenly sanctuary, the prophecies, etc., that "eventually, the Sabbath would go too." And this is so, the Sabbath has been given up, and they seem to be made drunken by their leaders, and prejudiced against everything that savors of Seventh day Adventism.

In all the city of Rotterdam where we had a church of about sixty members, but *one* Sabbath-keeper is left. I feel that we must do all we can to keep others from falling away. They are suspicious about everything—ready to accept doubts of any nature.

I never realized until now what a blighting and withering influ-

ence doubt, distrust and suspicion have upon one, and how these things lead, inevitably, to unbelief. Nothing can stand against such a tide only those who are fully and firmly grounded upon the Rock.

The movement in Holland seems to me not unlike the work of the ten spies. The seeds of doubt, suspicion and distrust found fruitful soil in hearts not fully surrendered to God, and when once they had taken root, spread like a conflagration.

How wide awake we ought to be to see the danger and nip these things in the bud before it is too late.

The work must now be started again from the very foundation, under discouragement and terrible opposition.

Frequently, when I hear the crying needs of millions in the darkness of heathenism, and how anxious they are for the precious gospel, I could wish to go to them. I have done but little during the last six months but to combat error and false doctrines.

May God, with the commencement of this New Year in which we hope to enter upon an aggressive campaign, work for his own name that it may not be made a reproach any longer among the people; but that the truth may stand out, bright and clear, that all can distinguish it as *his* truth.

JACOB WIBBENS.

## THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

### How may Young Teachers be Trained for Useful and Effective Work.

A certain proportion of the human race are born—teachers.

The personal characteristics which the true teacher must possess lie all undeveloped in the tiny infant, and are in no wise the result of any process of training however perfect it may be. Many good teachers have been spoiled by a poor system of training, but never in one single instance, I believe, has a perfect system, ever made a good teacher out of a person unendowed, by nature, with the requisite gifts.

The diamond cutter brings the perfectly cut and priceless jewel from the unheavenly stone which gives no promise of the beauty concealed beneath its unpromising

exterior, though the jewel is there from the first. The skillful workman simply develops it and makes it possible for us to appreciate its presence.

As every child possesses a different personality, different capabilities, and traits of character from every other child, he requires a different training from any other child in the world in order that he may become a perfect teacher.

The influence of a person with a stereotyped method is positively dangerous to the process of development. Above everything else give the prospective teacher freedom.

We cannot for one moment imagine the wealth of light and love that has been shut out of young hearts by trying to make their minds run in the narrow groove, which the limitations of some older mind have formed for them. Let us always remember that the young pupil under our guidance may have a mind capable of greater breadth of thought than our own, and that after we have prayerfully done what we can we should stand aside, and not hinder the greater growth and advancement which may be possible.

Independent, vigorous thought, originality of ideas, aptness of illustration are all essential. How impossible are these results if the student must study only along certain fixed lines arranged by another, and perhaps inferior, mind.

You ask: "Will not this course encourage that spirit of aggressiveness and egotism which is so disastrous to the work of young teachers?" Not if he be a true teacher. I call to mind a few great teachers whom I have met. Their humility touched the heart. They were willing to learn from a child, and respected the opinions of their inferiors. Their unconsciousness of themselves, of their own powers, their simple, forceful language, the quiet, gentle voice, the dignity of manner, the love and kindness of heart which shone from every feature, combined to form a personality so strong that it made their influence in the classroom so powerful that years of temptation and trial could not efface the truths which they taught from the heart.

Paul, in his letter to the Corinthians, says that: "Though we speak with the tongues of men and of angels, though we understand all mysteries and all knowledge"—if we have not love it is nothing. So with the teacher if he have not the love "which beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things;" his words, however eloquent they may be, will not touch the hearts, or affect the lives of his hearers.

Good methods of work doubtless added infinitely to the efficiency with which this class of noble men and women have done their work. A teacher must have method in order to work to the best advantage, but had the circumstances of the lives of these individuals been such that they had been forced to spend their lives without the aid of books and education they would still have been teachers, and their influence would have molded the lives of those around them. Their education and broad experience in life, the help of the most approved methods simply placed their work upon a higher plane, and made their influence for good more powerful than it would otherwise have been. For this reason the conversion of those under our care should ever be our greatest anxiety.

DR. EVA. A. REED.

### Work For Teachers.

It is planned to issue several special numbers of the *Advocate*, during the year 1903. These special issues will be prepared with the idea of placing them in the hands of public school teachers. We have never done anything directly to reach that large class of progressive people. There are many points upon which we, who are interested in Christian education, can unite with the teachers in the public schools. Many of these teachers are conscientiously working for the good of their pupils, and these are ready to receive light when it comes to them. The March *Advocate* will be the first of these specially prepared numbers. It will deal with questions with which the educational world is now wrestling. For the list of topics note the back page of the January *Advocate*.

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Will you not be willing to make a special effort to get your schools to do some missionary work, by way of placing the *March Advocate* in the hands of public school teachers in their neighborhood? I think it would be an excellent thing for our Sabbath-school workers if they could become interested in a definite class of people. The Young People's Societies might also add this to the list of things which they can appropriately do. We must get into contact with people by approaching them upon subjects in which they have an interest. The truth of God is so many-sided that it presents an easy point of contact with all classes of people. If a proper effort were to be made by our Sabbath-school and Church school workers, I believe that these special numbers of the *Advocate* could be placed in the hands of every secular teacher in this country.

### NOTES AND ITEMS.

"They that govern most make least noise."

"Search thy friend for his virtues; thyself for thy faults."

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

"He that will not sail till he has a fair wind will lose many a voyage."

Brother and Sister G. M. Alway spent last Sabbath with the Denver church. We were glad to see them again.

Brother E. E. Farnsworth and wife passed through Denver last week on their way to Gunnison where they expect to labor for awhile.

Brother Skeels writes that the work is coming up in Florence and that almost the entire company are interested in the tract work.

Brother Warren Hopkins who is canvassing at Trinidad, writes that the Lord is blessing in his work, and that he is of good courage.

We have quite a number of Contributions, field reports and Convention papers which we hope to publish as soon as our space will permit. We very much appreciate the hearty response with which our request for the Convention papers has been met and we will use them as fast as we can.

Sister Camp writes from Farmington as follows: "Our little band have decided to go out with "Object Lessons" and tracts. Pray for us that we may be successful in our work."

Brother Ballenger writes from Lyons as follows: "I am of good courage in the Lord. My hope is bright, and I want to take up the work as never before, and be faithful until it is finished."

Has your subscription to ECHOES expired? If so send in your renewal without delay that you may not miss any of the things we are trying to place before all the members of the Colorado Conference.

We have not been able to get the supply of "Object Lessons" needed for the campaign of March 8 4, but if all will follow the instructions given and take orders on these days the books will be here, we hope, in time for delivery about a week later.

We learn from Sister Nelson of Grand Junction that Brother Rippey has been holding meetings in the Garfield school house eight miles from that place. The truth was well presented, prejudice was broken down and many became interested. The attendance was good throughout.

The *Sentinel* of March 12 will republish the article entitled "The Love of Power, and the Power of Love", which appeared in the December issue. Plans should be laid to place a copy of this *Sentinel* in the hands of every clergyman, church worker and church member. We trust all will help do this.

The *March Advocate* has been prepared for the public school teachers. It deals with subjects in which the people of the land are interested. Every teacher in the land should receive a copy. Shall the teachers in our neighborhood be passed by? Or, will you see that each one of them becomes a reader of this special number?

From a letter received from Mrs. Edith Ross, of Georgetown, we glean the following: "I have organized a little Sabbath-school of seven members. We sing from 'Christ in Song,' pray and have our lesson, then I read from the *Review* or *Signs*. I have taken an orphan girl eleven years old. She is a little Christian and when I explained the Sabbath to her she accepted it at once."

Two of the young ladies connected with the *Life Boat* work in Chicago are making their way to the Pacific coast, stopping in all the large cities and towns to sell *Life Boats*, and do other missionary work. Thus far they have succeeded in placing thousands of this little journal in the hands of the people wherever they have stopped. They are now working in Denver and we wish them abundant success.

### Notice.

Would like to correspond with Adventist labor in regard to taking care of Sugar beets. W. H. CAMPBELL.  
Fort Collins, Colo.

### Union College Bakery.

The Bakery has put in a new oven, and is now ready to fill all orders in bulk, for our own people at reasonable prices. All goods warranted to be first class. Send for Price List.

Union College Bakery.  
College View, Neb.

### Notice to Church Clerks

We earnestly request that all church Clerks in the Colorado Conference send to me at once a full list of the names of your church officers. We wish to issue at once a directory, and we do not want that any of our churches be left out. Please attend to this at once.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.  
1112 South 11th St. DENVER COLO.

### Names of Our Young People.

We have an army of youth, and we want to see their energies turned into the cause of God. The Central Union Conference desires to get in touch with all the young people in this district. To do this we have sent out blanks to all the Sabbath-school superintendents.

Let each one see that this blank is properly filled out and returned to us as soon as possible.

Central Union Conference.

### OBITUARY.

On February third the home of Brother and Sister Charles Clemens of Fort Collins was saddened by the death of their son Russel, from typhoid fever. The following day he was laid to rest till the glad day when "all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth." Words of comfort were spoken from Jer. 81:16

WATSON ZIEGLER.