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Seldom can the heart be lonely  
If it seek a lonelier still.  
Self-forgetting, seeking only  
Emptier cups with love to fill.

- Havergal.

### GENERAL ARTICLES.

#### AN APPEAL IN BEHALF OF THE AUSTRALASIAN FIELD.

By Mrs. E. G. White.

Our heavenly Father has mysteriously linked the members of his family together. While ever man has his own burdens to bear, he is not to forget that by helping others he helps himself. The opening words of Christ's sermon on the mount are an illustration of the principles laid down in his teaching. "Blessed are the poor in spirit," he said, "for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." He came to our world to bless men and women by pointing out the path of self-denial. In his life he showed the power of self-sacrifice. In his work he has given us an example of what our work should be.

Whenever the Lord brings destitute fields to our notice, and gives opportunity to help, we are never to neglect the opportunity. To respond to the frequent appeals for money may ne-

cessitate much self-sacrifice on our part; but by practicing Christ-like self-denial in order to help our fellow men, we give evidence to the world of the power of the truth to transform and sanctify the character and to cleanse the heart from selfishness.

A call now comes to us from Australasia. I am familiar with the work there. I am closely joined to that field by the most tender associations. By our experience while there, we know what it means to have a great work before us, and to be bound about by the lack of means, while at the same time the Lord is coming to us, saying, "Annex new territory; lift up my standard of truth in new fields." In Australia we had not the facilities that we should have had to carry forward the work that the Lord directed us to do. Although some help came from America, an abundance of means was expended in the home field, while we were striving, studying and praying, but bound about, unable to advance for lack of the money which we might have had, but which, instead of being sent to us, was used in America.

In their efforts to carry forward the work on solid lines and to enter new territory, our brethren and sisters in Australasia have made gifts and loans to the utmost of their ability. In times of great stress the Lord has moved upon men and women in both Australasia and in America to acknowledge their stewardship by advancing means to help in establishing the institutions being built there. Those who have come to the help of the Lord in this way have been laying up treasure beside the throne of God.

Notwithstanding the dearth of means, much has been accomplished

by the laborers in Australasia. Stern battles have been fought. Nothing but the miracle-working power of God has accomplished the work that has been done. We saw his power as we advanced from point to point, and we praise him with heart and soul and voice. O, how we appreciated the loving kindness of our God as he led us on step by step!

Christ and his angels went before us. From the light given me by God, I know that he is still going before the workers in all parts of the field. He has been with those who have, with great self-sacrifice, built the Wahr-oonga sanitarium and opened up the health work in Sydney. He will reward those who have given freely of their means to establish memorials for him in that field. As I think of the poverty of the people there, and of the missionary work they have tried to do in addition to establishing the publishing house, the school and the sanitarium, I look upon the whole experience as something remarkable. The work accomplished in Australasia is an object lesson for all who enter new fields. Let all say, "See what the Lord hath wrought!"

The fact that something has already been done in Australasia does not excuse us in America from extending a helping hand to that needy field at the present time. In every city and every suburb there remains a work to be done, the work of presenting the last message of mercy to the many thousands still in ignorance of God's truth for this time.

Australasia is a divinely-appointed center, from which the light of present truth is to radiate to many lands. There comes to us from far-off lands

the cry, "Come over and help us!" Some of the unentered, unenlightened fields are not so easily reached, and perhaps not so ready to receive the light as the fields within our sight, but they must not be neglected. We are to push the triumphs of the cross. Our watchword is to be, "Onward, ever onward!"

(To Be Continued.)

### TIME FOR ACTION.

We thank God for the foothold that he has given us in the many lands abroad. This truth is sounding out. It stirs our hearts to see the ranks move forward. Most heart-stirring of all, however, we must confess, is the array of unoccupied fields. We face obligations to-day such as never before pressed upon any people.

The Lord is coming. The world is dying before our eyes. We must show the true-hearted in every land the way of salvation from all the evil yet to come upon the earth. The visible breaking up of things has been preparing the minds of men to give attention to the advent warning. Among the millions of the East, where half the world lies in darkness, there is a growing conviction that the end of the age is at hand. A swift crusade through the waiting lands, one grand rally to plant the standard in every unoccupied field, and the work is done.

It is time for action rather than talk. It is a frightful crime to sit at home and thank God for blessings received while a world is perishing unwarned. "There is a world to be saved!" The missionary who goes down into the depths of humanity's need must put his life and his all into the hands of God for service. The believer who remains to work and pray and hold the ropes at home must likewise live for but the one purpose of doing the Lord's business in the earth. Every energy of the soul and every resource on earth must be held absolutely subject to God's call. Anything less than this is treason to heaven at the very crisis in the great controversy. In the way in which we are facing this problem of our world-wide work to-day, in the response we are giving to the calls for help, we are deciding our eternal destiny.

W. A. Spicer.

"Every kindness done to others is a step nearer to the life of Christ."  
-Dean Stanley.

## FIELD REPORTS.

### MANZANARES.

By these few lines I wish to tell you of Brother Serna's visit to us and of the blessing we enjoyed. On the 30th of May he organized a church of eight members, with all the officers. Seven were baptized. Now, brethren, please pray for this church and its elder.

L. Vargas.

### WRAY.

The Wray church will celebrate the Lord's ordinances July 4, 1903. All are cordially invited. There will be singing and praises to the Lord for his loving kindness, and all will have opportunity to tell of his goodness. Come and meet with us, brethren; you will be more than recompensed.

B. E. Parkins.

### DURANGO.

It has been some time since my last report to our little paper however, I have been very busy working in and around Durango. This is a very wicked city. Some of our members have backslidden and done some desperate things against the truth. The faithful few remaining are of good courage and were made to rejoice over the addition of three precious souls by baptism. Elder Mackintosh, while on his way to Pagosa Springs, stopped over one day with us and administered the ordinance of baptism. Two ladies were convinced of the truth and desired baptism, but their husbands objected. We hope to have them with us later on. Others are interested. Oh, may God's spirit, which has brought these dear souls thus far, guide and sustain them unto his coming. We are having an abundance of rain in this section. Just as soon as it is over Brother W. F. Hills and myself expect to engage in a tent effort at Manos. Brethren, pray for us.

Wm. Kennedy.

### CANVASSERS' INSTITUTE.

According to appointment our Institute at Hygiene began June 1st and continued until the 8th. There were eleven young people in the class. I think I never attended an Institute where a better interest was manifested. At its close all were able to give a canvass which was both interesting and instructive.

All seemed to be of good courage in the Lord, and rejoiced that they

could have the privilege of carrying the last message to the world.

Clarence Smith and Earl Howlett will locate at Montrose; John Lee and Edward Moore will go to Delta; the others will canvas the towns of Longmont, Lyons, Loveland, Hygiene and the surrounding country. We hope to see a good work done this summer by these dear young people. Let us pray the blessing of God to be with them. "He that goeth forth with weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again, with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

G. Phillips.

### GOING TO FOREIGN FIELDS.

Expecting the call from the South American Mission Committee to take up work in the Argentine school in the German department, I made quick preparation after the close of school and bade the dear friends in our old home on the western slope good-bye, perhaps forever.

Leaving College View May 25, I started for Plateau Valley, the place where the truth found me, and remained there about two weeks. I was in the saddle almost every day, making calls up and down the valley, finding open doors and willing hearts for the truth. During my absence of almost five years, many papers and tracts were sent to the old friends, and many are convinced of the truth. I would that the spirit of God might move on every lover of the truth, to scatter the printed page in these solemn days as never before.

On our visit we found the old friends still in the truth and a number of new ones added, but on visiting the homes my mind became very much burdened for the youth. Only a little preparation in our schools would make them a power for the truth. As the canvasser climbs the rocky hills and gets a better view, so when we overcome the every-day trials we will reach a higher plane in spiritual life. As the Bible worker meets opposition and darkness in homes, let him be reminded that the unseen hand which formed the rocks and hills is behind the truth.

As I bid the good friends good-bye to start on my long journey to Argentine, South America, I ask a special interest in your prayers for our well-fare and for the truth in that needy field. While it makes us sad to leave,

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we are of good courage, hoping to meet our friends once more around the great white throne.

Our meeting was a blessing,  
Our parting is a pain;  
May God protect both you and me  
Until we meet again.

C. D. Lude.

For a number of years Brother Henry Williams and his wife have stood alone as witnesses for the truth in the island of Hayti. A recent report from Brother Williams brings the good news that their number is increased to seven. A mother and four children are keeping the Sabbath with them.

### CALLED TO REST.

All will receive with sadness the news of the death of our dear Brother La Rue, who had labored for fifteen years in the Chinese Empire. The greater part of this time he was the only representative of the third angel's message in that field. He was laid to rest in the Protestant cemetery in Hong Kong.

Although eighty years of age, he was a tire in the work up until a few days before his death, selling since the first of January eighteen of our bound books, besides distributing tracts and papers.

We are glad that a few workers had joined Brother La Rue, so that these are there in the field to take up the work that has fallen from his hands. But this vast empire, with its 426,000,000 of people, sends a mute appeal to us for more help. We can not be free until we have responded with a large force of laborers who will quickly give the light to its darkened millions.

A neat little sanitarium will soon be in operation in Kobe, Japan. A house has been secured, well adapted to our work. The Doctors' Lockwood will be in charge. They will be assisted by Dr. Kumashiro—a native lady physician—and several Japanese nurses; so that they will be able to work for the Japanese even before they have acquired the language.

### SIX DAYS' WORK.

Seeing an article in *The Echoes* from a brother, who claims that "Creation ended on the seventh day," and with a view of securing all the knowledge of God's word that is possible, we would like to present a few facts upon this subject.

The first five verses of Genesis re-

ords the creation of a day. In the sixteenth verse God says he made the sun; it was to rule the day, or to divide it from the night. God took each period of time from sunset to sunset—twenty-four hours—in which to create some portion of this great universe. It took six of these periods of time to create all things. God then took another of these periods—twenty-four hours—in which he rested. This act completed the division of time into the week. There was no creative work on the seventh day.

Andrews' "History of the Sabbath" says of the sixth day: "The work of the Creator was finished, but the first week of time was not yet completed. Each of the six days had been distinguished by the Creator's work upon it, but the seventh was rendered memorable in a different manner." Dr. Clark says: "The Septuagint, the Syriac, and the Samaritan all read: 'On the sixth day God ended his works which he had done, and rested on the seventh day.'"

In "Early Writings" there is a very decisive statement; it reads: "At the close of the six days of creation, God rested on the seventh day, from all from all his works."

George Burch.

The *Sentinel* of July 9th will be a special Christian Endeavor number. The International Convention of the Christian Endeavor Society is to be held in Denver, July 9-13, and the Young People's Society of the Denver church is planning to scatter many thousands of copies of this issue during that time, if the brethren and sisters in other parts of the State will assist them by donations. This grand opportunity should not be neglected. Please send in your donations early so that this work may be accomplished.

## THE SABBATH SCHOOL.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The time has arrived for the election of Sabbath-school officers, and we desire to call attention to a change in the manner of election, recommended by the recent General Conference. The recommendation is as follows: "That we approve of the plan that Sabbath-school officers be elected by the church." This plan is not a new one; it has been in operation in Australia and in some of our American conferences for several years, and has been generally satisfactory.

This is a move in the right direction. The Sabbath-school is the church; and if this is so, then it is not

only the privilege, but the duty of the church to choose its officers. We quote a portion of Elder Waggoner's remarks which are very much to the point:

"It seems to me that if the Sabbath-school were on its proper basis there would be no room for such a recommendation as this, as it could not be otherwise than that the church should elect the Sabbath-school officers and teachers, because the church and the Sabbath-school are one."

This is true. We have—perhaps unconsciously to ourselves—gotten upon a wrong basis. Little by little we have come to look on the Sabbath-school, the Missionary and Young People's Societies as distinct and separate organizations, rather than as a part of the one and only organization, the church. Many of our members, particularly in the larger churches, have seemed to think it no part of their duty to be connected with these various departments or branches of the church, which have thus been left to manage their own affairs. This should not be so. Every member of the church should be an active member of the Sabbath-school, and in the churches where this is so there will be no difficulties in the new plan, which is a somewhat tardy recognition of a correct principle. In the churches where this is not so, the question may be asked: Should not every member of the school have a voice in the choice of their own officers? If the school is a separate entity, yes, by all means; but if the school is the church, then it must be the duty of the church, and of the church alone, to choose them. Young children and those who are not of the faith should have no part in this important matter.

The election of officers is not a question of good fellowship or of popularity, but of qualification and ability. We "who were not a people, but are now a people," have a certain, definite message to preach, and it seems eminently fitting that those who are chosen to lead and teach in the schools where this definite message is taught should be chosen by those who are responsible for the message taught.

We hope that every one of our schools will put the recommendation of the General Conference into practice in the coming election.

Dr. Willard W. Hills.

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NOTES AND ITEMS.

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

"Never be afraid of giving up your best, and God will give you his better."  
—Hinton.

Elder Spring expects to meet with the Meeker church for quarterly meeting, Sabbath, July 4th.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry (Weber of Iowa are visiting Mrs. Weber's sister Mrs. Flora Watson, in Denver.

Miss Pearl Weirich returned from her California visit on the 12th inst. She reports a pleasant trip.

Sister Pinkerton of Pueblo spent a few days in Denver last week, visiting Elder and Sister Anglebarger.

Again we wish to ask our treasurers, librarians, clerks and Sabbath-school secretaries to be prompt in returning their reports.

Miss Nellie Wadman returned to her home in Denver last week after a long absence. We are glad to say she is much improved in health.

A tent meeting is to be held at Cedaredge this summer by Elders Watson and States. Let us remember these meetings in our prayers.

Mrs. Dr. Woodruff left Denver the 14th inst. for a brief visit to her old home in Battle Creek, Mich., and to other places of interest in the State.

Brother H. H. Hall of the Signs office is planning a missionary tour among the Conferences. He expects to be in Denver the second Sabbath in July.

Please send in your orders at once for Sabbath-school quarterlies so that you may have them in ample time. Remember that we can not mail these every day.

Sabbath, July 4th is the day for the Australasian collection. Do not forget it. Please read carefully Sister White's appeal on the first page of this issue before making your donation.

Our hearts are made sad by the unfortunate death of the oldest son of Brother and Sister George Barker of Hugo. We sympathize deeply with the family in this sore affliction.

Elders Ziegler and Aufdehar expect to begin tent meetings at Fort

Morgan this week. We trust it will be the means of strengthening in numbers the little church at that place.

"There is no greater sign of your own perfection than when you find yourself all love and compassion toward them that are very weak and defective."—Law.

Brother and Sister E. C. Porter who recently left our conference to engage in the work in Albuquerque, N. M. have now gone to Los Angeles, Cal. We pray that the blessing of God may go with them.

The Telluride church has done a noble work in selling "Christ's Object Lessons." During the last three months sixty-four books have been sold and paid for. Can not other churches do as well?

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Williams and Mrs. Green recently returned from their California trip, after having spent more than a year in the "Land of Flowers." We welcome them to their home State and church.

"From India, from Africa, from China, from the islands of the sea, from the down-trodden millions of so-called Christian lands, the cry of human woe is ascending to God. That cry will not be long unanswered."

Brethren Kennedy and Hills have just pitched a tent in the beautiful little town of Mancos, in a central location, and began their meetings last Friday evening. They have ordered a supply of tracts for their work, and we shall look for good results.

Sister Kemp of Idaho Springs called at the office last Thursday and brought an encouraging report of the work at Idaho Springs. Elder Svenson is having an interest there, such as has never been known before in that place. We rejoice to see souls being led into the truth.

Elder A. T. Robinson has recently taken the presidency of the Nebraska Conference. He with his family has been spending several weeks since the General Conference, in Boulder, and called at the office for a few minutes in passing through this city to his new field of labor.

The Anglo-Chinese school in Hong Kong has a membership of twenty-one. They are being taught the truths of God's word. In the interior of China,

in the province of Honan, where our first church has been organized, a boys' school was recently opened. One of those lately baptized has charge of the school.

Died, in Denver, April 24th, 1903, of pneumonia. Stephen E. Shultz, infant son of Brother and Sister S. R. Shultz. Little Stephen was born June 17, 1902. The hope of soon meeting their little one is a great comfort to the parents in this affliction. Funeral at the home.

G. W. ANGLEBARGER.

OBITUARY.

Died near Hugo, Colo., June 12, 1903, Wright Barker, aged 11 years, 8 months and 4 days. Wright was born near Denver, October 8, 1891. His very sudden and tragic death was a great shock to his parents and friends. He was going after the family mail, about nine miles distant, when, almost to his destination, the horse threw him. His foot caught in the stirrup, the horse running and dragging him. When found about twenty-two hours later by his father and a searching party, he was dead. No doubt his death was caused almost instantly. Funeral services were conducted by the writer in the Methodist church at Hugo, where a large company of neighbors and friends were gathered. Brother and Sister Barker are comforted with the blessed hope.

G. W. Anglebarger.

REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK

For four weeks ending June 24, 1903.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Helps.
Home Hand Book,				
W. E. Huffman.....	49	65	\$191.50	
C. B. Plummer.....	84	4	18.00	
H. O. Welty.....	39	13	76.50	4.50
W. H. Brown.....	24	4	25.50	3.50
W. H. Moore.....	2	2	9.00	3.75
Daniel and Revelation,				
E. E. Lewis.....	37	5	12.75	2.50
Ladies' Guide.				
Carrie Rousseau.....	20	10	33.75	.75
Controversy.				
Grace Dowden.....	1	1	4.50	
Mrs. Tillie Showham.	5	5	11.25	.40
Miscellaneous,				
W. H. Moore.....	5	5	7.50	11.50
Mrs. M. Hall.....	14	8	5.50	
W. H. Brown.....	19	20	12.50	23.50
C. B. Plummer.....	84	54	34.45	
Chas. Feith.....	67	67	100.00	
O. Einarson.....	34	34	83.35	
Mabel Klopfenstein..	1	1	1.50	
G. Phillips.....	163	82	25	
TOTALS.....	358	467	\$712.80	\$50.40

DELIVERIES.

	Books.	Value.
W. E. Huffman.....	19	\$ 84.00
C. B. Plummer.....	5	24.50
Grace Dowden.....	20	61.50
O. Einarson.....	34	83.35
Chas. Feith.....	67	100.00
G. Phillips.....	163	82.25
TOTALS.....	304	\$435.60