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**CHANGELESS.**

God will not change. The restless years may bring  
 Sunlight and shade, the glories of the spring,  
 And silent gloom of sunless winter hours—  
 Joy mixed with grief, sharp thorns with fragrant  
 flowers—  
 Earth lights may shine awhile, and then grow  
 dim;  
 But God is true; there is no change in Him,  
 Rest in the Lord to-day, and all thy days:  
 Let his unerring hand direct thy ways  
 Through the uncertainty, and hope, and fear,  
 That meet thee on the threshold of the year;  
 And find, while all life's changing scenes  
 pass by,  
 Thy refuge in the love that can not die,  
 —Selected.

**GENERAL ARTICLES.**

**OUR STATE MEETING.**

No doubt many are looking forward to this annual gathering of our people, a time when we can turn aside from the busy scenes of life to seek help from the God of our fathers, and to meet those that are more actively engaged in the conflict than ourselves. I am glad to announce that among the laborers from abroad, Eld. E. W. Farnsworth, who has just returned from Australia, will be with us. Anything short of the best meeting

ever held in Colorado, will not meet the mind of God, nor the demands of the times now present. These days are the greatest days that we who are now living have ever seen; yes, and more, for no other people that have ever lived have had to face such great problems as we. Come, my dear people, to this meeting, and let us gather up strength and faith for these mighty issues. And to meet the expense of this annual meeting, we call upon our people throughout the conference to plan to make a donation Sabbath, July 9th. We expect the Elder in every church to see to this very important matter. Some have already sent in their gifts, but we must have much more. Please, dear people, this meeting is yours, and we have secured a most beautiful park in the city of Longmont, where all will have shade, and a rich green carpet covering the whole campus. Come, all.  
 G. F. Watson.

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION**

Our Young People's Convention at College View, Neb., is in the past, and I am sure that our brethren and sisters will be interested to know something of what was done at this meeting. I am sorry that ALL could not have had the privilege of being present and enjoying the good things that were given, for while it may be possible to tell of some things that were done, the real spirit of the meeting can never be expressed in words. Our minds were first of all directed to the Testimonies of the Spirit of God, for an appreciation of the importance of the work which we were considering, and for the form of work or organization that had been outlined for it. The message of Elijah, foretold in Mal. 4th chapter, was emphasized as the message to this people, and that the time

had come when "The hearts of the fathers" should be turned toward their children, and "The hearts of the children" toward their fathers. The children and young people are a precious gift to the family and to the church, and the Spirit spirit says "The work that lies nearest the church is to become interested in our children and youth."

Excellent and earnest papers and talks were given on different phases of the subject by Brethren Daniels, Warren, Porter, McReynolds, Nettleton, Hoopes, Lewis, Kern, Kite, Bralliar, Huffman and many others, as well as by several of the sisters. Although our convention lasted six days, the time was too short in which to fully enjoy and assimilate all the good things which had been planned. I would like to tell some of the good things, but the space in our little paper is too limited to give even a brief account of one paper, but there is a way in which the majority of the good things can be secured, and I hope many will take advantage of it. The next issue of *The Union College Messenger*, bearing date of June 14, will be a double number, and will contain the gist of the talks and papers presented. It will cost ten cents, and I feel sure that hundreds of our people in Colorado should get a copy of it. This convention has been held at considerable expense; and much careful thought, and many prayers have been given to the papers presented, and it is a matter which all our people should have the benefit of. Personally I have enjoyed the privilege very much, and hope to be a better worker for having been here, and I know God will require more of me. May God bless the Young People's work in Colorado.  
 E. E. Farnsworth.

**DONATIONS TO CAMP-MEETING FUND**

Previously reported.....	\$2 50
Rocky Ford Church, by G. M. Al-	
way .....	3 50
R. K. Post and Wife.....	5 00
Total.....	\$11 00

**SATURDAY OR SUNDAY.**

The old controversy as to whether Saturday or Sunday is the real Sabbath has been revived in Rocky Ford. A statement having been made from one of the Rocky Ford pulpits that the Kansas City man who offered \$1,000 to anyone who would prove that Sunday was the Bible Sabbath had withdrawn his offer, Mr. J. R. France wrote to the man and has received the following reply:

J. M. J. A. T.

St. Alphonsus (Rock) Church,  
1118 Grand Avenue.

St. Louis, Mo., May 1, 1904.

Mr. J. R. France,

Dear Sir:—I have not recalled the offer. I still offer \$1,000 to anyone who can prove to me, from the Bible alone, that I am bound, under pain of grievous sin, to keep Sunday holy. We keep Sunday in obedience to the law of the Catholic church. The church made this law after the Bible was written.

Those who reject the authority of the Catholic church, and believe only what the Bible teaches, must answer correctly the following:

1. Where does the Bible teach that we must keep Sunday holy?

2. Where does it teach that we must keep it once a week, and not once a year like Christmas?

3. Where does it teach that we must keep Easter always on the first Sunday after the full moon of the Vernal equinox?

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8. Why do you inscribe in your letters the current date, e. g., May 24, 1904? Herein also you obey, not the Bible, but the Catholic church.

Respectfully,

T. Enright, C. S. S. R.,  
In Rocky Ford Gazette.

To the absent members of the Colorado Springs church:

Dear Brethren and Sisters:—Being unable to write each of you a personal letter, let this be a reminder that we wish very much to have a testimony from every one, to be read on the next quarterly occasion, July 2nd.

Mrs. F. W. Patterson, Clerk.

**THE FAITHFUL CANVASSER.**

While at Colorado Springs, recently, it was my privilege to hold a Bible study with a man and his wife who have just begun the observance of the Sabbath. They are eagerly drinking in the truth. Their first interest in the truth came as the result of the work of Brother

Charles Feith, our faithful canvasser at that place. Many others are fully persuaded of the whole truth, and some will accept soon.

At Pueblo, a lady has just begun to keep the Sabbath with whom Brother Pinkerton has been doing missionary work for the last twelve years. She has been supplied with the *Signs* for a long time, and "after many days" the fruits appear. Be not weary in well doing.

E. E. Farnsworth.

**THE FAMILY BIBLE TEACHER.**

This is the name of an important course of Bible readings embracing 28 printed lessons for home study. Beginning with the foundation principles of Christianity, the lessons gradually advance in a systematic way until many of the most interesting and important Bible doctrines are covered.

A feature of special interest in the course, is the study of the prophecies which relate to the second coming of Christ; eleven lessons being devoted to this inspiring and soul-thrilling subject.

The lessons are short and to the point, and afford a rare opportunity for busy people to avail themselves of the benefits to be derived from a systematic study of God's word.

The rich and poor might share alike in the benefits of this most excellent course of Bible study, the lessons will be given to each family *free of charge*.

Those who wish to help bear the expense of this work, are invited to contribute to its support from time to time as they may feel impressed; all such offerings, be they ever so small, are most thankfully received.

The usual method is to study ONE LESSON EACH WEEK until the course is completed. To obtain the most permanent good, each text should be looked up and carefully studied from the Bible. Those who desire further information on any Bible subject, are invited to be perfectly free to ask questions. Should any desire full sets of the lessons to give to friends, the same may be obtained from the distributor upon request.

Believing that this little announcement would be helpful to new workers especially, some are now being printed and will be furnished at 10c. per hundred, and 5c. for postage when sent by mail. By using these instruction slips those who have had no experience whatever in missionary work, can go out and do effectual service in carrying the truth to others.

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONVENTION.**

Your committee on plans and recommendations would respectfully submit the following suggestions:

1. That we urge all our young people and church members to study carefully the instructions the Lord has given us in the Testimonies upon young people's work, that they may discover his plan for organization and labor.

2. Believing the object of all organization should be to do missionary work, and that all organization that leaves out this feature is a failure, we recommend that the following plan be adopted: That "those who really love Jesus" be formed into small bands of two or more to meet and pray with and for each other, and for those for whom the Lord shall give them a special burden, and that earnest efforts be made be made first for those who profess to love the truth but lack the force of its saving power.

3. That all be encouraged to study their Bibles, to engage in the distribution of tracts, The Family Bible Teacher, the sale of small books containing present truth, to visit the sick, relieve the suffering, and in every way possible do actual missionary work.

4. That from time to time meetings shall be held in which experiences shall be related, and altogether seek the Lord. That the young people and children so working be encouraged to report their work in the missionary meetings and regular prayer meetings of the church.

5. That capable leaders be chosen in every church to have the oversight of this work, and that such leaders make regular reports to the superintendent of young people's work in the conference.

6. That an earnest effort be made in all our camp-meetings this summer to train leaders for the home churches, by instructions and actual work in the art of soul winning.

7. That as far as possible all our conference workers receive special help that they may be able to give intelligent instruction to our churches in this work, and that an educational campaign be carried on through our denominational and conference papers, that parents as well as children be educated on this important question.

8. That each conference as far as possible employ some person to give his or her entire time to this important part of the work.

9. That the Central Union Conference publish a series of leaflets on the salient points of this work for use with the young people, and in correspondence.

10. That our societies as far as possible drop from their Sabbath meetings all forms and usages that would seem to make them seem like literary societies; as for example—accepting reports, formal business motions, election of officers, etc.

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**THE SABBATH SCHOOL**  
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**THE TEACHER'S RESPONSIBILITY.**

Paper Read by Mrs. Minnie MacGuire at the Sabbath-School Convention Held at Palisade, Colo., April 23, 1904.

The work of Sabbath-School teachers is fraught with great and sacred responsibilities. Upon them rests the burden of directing minds in the study of God's Holy Word, and of leading souls to Christ.

The Sabbath-school should be one of the greatest instrumentalities, and *the most effectual*, in converting sinners, and every teacher needs to be especially imbued with the Spirit of the Master.

We read in Corinthians that "God hath set some in the church, first apostles secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers," so we see the ability to teach is one of the gifts of the Spirit.

Some when asked to teach excuse themselves because they lack in education, but this may be supplied them from on high as God has promised to give wisdom to all who ask, and "He giveth liberally and upbraideth not." Peter was an unlearned and ignorant fisherman, yet when filled with the Spirit of God he preached one sermon that resulted in the conversion of *three thousand* people. God is no respecter of persons, but will bless and help all who will consecrate themselves to his service, and will supply the necessary wisdom.

One thing is essential, however, and that is *study*. "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." The lesson should be so thoroughly learned by the teacher that no reference need be made to the lesson pamphlet or paper, and yet he be able to follow the line of study, explain the points of interest with clearness and readiness.

Far greater interest would be manifested in class work, if teachers would look at their pupils instead of being

obliged to look at their papers to read the questions, and see if they were correctly answered.

"It is an important work to deal with minds, to give the right mould to character, and to leave a right impression," and the teacher needs a heart warmed and made tender by the Spirit of God. Great tact and discernment are necessary to understand the wants of every pupil, and to "rightly divide the word of God."

It is positively painful to scholars to have a teacher stand up in a listless, tired manner, as if he preferred anything and everything to teaching, and then begin the recitation by remarking "that he had not looked at his lesson as he had been exceptionally busy that week. He hoped, however, they had studied theirs." Imagine your feelings should you send your children to a public school where a teacher was employed to teach mathematics and you knew he had never looked into or studied arithmetic. What confidence would you have in his ability to impart understanding? No more can we teach in the school of Christ except we have first been learners. Let us all heed the admonition and "Study to show ourselves approved unto God."

Another desirable qualification is *cheerfulness*. If you feel despondent or discouraged on Sabbath morning, go to God alone and plead with Him until your heart is filled with peace and joy, and you are enabled, by His grace, to stand before your class rejoicing in the Lord.

Much enthusiasm must be felt and manifested by the teacher in presenting the lesson. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" so the heart should be filled with thanksgiving and praise and not only will words of encouragement be spoken, but the countenance will be lighted with the glory of the Lord, and it will be evident to every student that their teacher has been with Jesus and learned of Him.

(Concluded next issue.)

**NOTICE.**

Let all our churches in Colorado and New Mexico elect their delegates soon to attend the Colorado Conference, which will convene August 18th, 1904, at Longmont, Colo. The first meeting of the conference will be held August 19th, at 9:30 a. m. Every church is entitled to one delegate for the church, and one for every fifteen members. Persons should be chosen who are alive to the needs of the cause, and of good deportment in their home church. May the wisdom of our God guide in the choosing of these delegates.  
 G. F. Watson.

**CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS ATTENTION!**

It has been decided to offer the church school teachers attending the teachers' normal at Atchison, Kan., the low rate of \$1.50 per week for board and room. It is expected that those attending will bring bedding sufficient to accommodate them, and I would advise all to bring a straw-tick.  
 E. T. Russell

We glean the following from a letter received from Brother L. Vargas, our Spanish worker at Costilla, New Mexico: "It will rejoice your hearts to know that month by month some souls come for the Water of life. I am working from house to house with "The Family Bible Teacher." In the American families this course of study is doing much good. I lack Spanish papers such as *El Mensajero de la Verdad*. New Mexico is a good field, and if we could have more help we could accomplish a great deal more."

The *Southern Watchman* says: Believing the readers of this paper will be interested in hearing something of the manner in which the special "Signs Number" of the SOUTHERN WATCHMAN is being received, we will state that since the first copies were sent out orders have been coming in so fast that we have been obliged to run our presses both day and night a considerable portion of the time. However, we now have a stock ahead and will probably be able to fill all further orders promptly.

The Southern Publishing Association reports the sale of *Family Bible Teacher* for May as 400,000 copies, or over one and a half million pages. This is certainly a good month's record for a new publication. We also learn that about 2,500 copies are now being used every day at the St. Louis Exposition. The introduction slip just prepared enables any one to do efficient work with those lessons.

**REPORT OF CANVASSING WORK**

For four weeks ending June 11, 1904.

	Hrs.	Ord.	Val.	Total
			Helps.	Val.
Daniel and Revelation.				
Daniel Cluster.....	68	14	\$17.55	\$41.05
R. M. Dennis.....	146	19	26.30	76.05
D. W. C. Corey.....	42	10	12.50	41.50
Alfred Horn.....				4.00
Bible Readings.				
John K. Lane.....	116	27	21.95	89.25
Desire of Ages				
No Name Signed....			4.75	13.50
Miscellaneous				
Chas. Feith.....		177	5.00	151.55
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>372</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>\$88.05</b>	<b>\$416.90</b>

**DELIVERIES.**

	Books.	Value.
Chas. Feith.....	177	\$151.50
R. M. Dennis.....	6	12.50
John K. Lane.....	3	8.25
Anna Brann.....	1	5.00
<b>TOTAL DELIVERIES</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>\$177.25</b>

## NOTES AND ITEMS.

Remember the collection for our camp-meeting fund, Sabbath, July 9th.

Elders Watson, Wilcox and Ziegler spent Sabbath, June 4th, with the church at Longmont.

Elder Svensson and wife attended the graduating exercises of the medical class of the Boulder University last Wednesday.

Elder Anglegarger expects to open the tent meetings in South Denver next Sunday evening. Come, and bring your friends with you.

It is none too early to begin to lay plans for camp-meeting. This will be an important meeting, and we hope none will fail to come.

A camp-meeting which is to be followed by a tent effort is in progress at Parachute, Colo., conducted by Elders Richards and Spring.

We are sorry that the announcement and program of the Young People's Convention at College View did not reach us in time for publication.

Mrs. Bertha Hill Andrews, who has been teaching near Wray, Colo., is home again, having finished her term. We are glad to have her with us again.

Dr. Claude Copeland of Battle Creek passed through Denver last week on his way to Aspen where he expects to spend the summer with his parents.

Sister Noah and two daughters, Irene and Lillie, left Denver last Tuesday for their new home in Seattle, Washington. May the blessing of God be with them.

Sister Workhoffen was in Denver last week after a pleasant visit with her daughter in Salt Lake City. She has now gone to join her husband at Cromwell, Ind.

Among the graduates from the Manual Training School this year is Miss Carrie Stenborn who graduated with high honors, and won a scholarship in the State University.

Brother H. H. Graham, who attended the canvassers' school at Hygiene, has moved his family to his old home in Iowa, and entered the canvassing work in Missouri.

We learn that Brother J. F. Jenson expects to begin a series of tent meetings in Trinidad soon. We trust he may have abundant success. Let us remember him in our prayers.

We are now in the beginning of the tent season, and companies are located at the following places: Denver, New Windsor, Parachute, Colo., and at Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Brother E. E. Farnsworth spent one day with the Wray church on his way to College View, Neb. The little company there are showing a commendable zeal in the work of the message.

All will be pleased to know that Elder E. W. Farnsworth, recently returned from Australia, will spend one week at the Colorado camp-meeting. Many old friends will welcome him there.

Elder Watson spoke to the little company in East Denver last Sabbath, and the services were much enjoyed by all. They hope to have the work in that part of the city permanently organized soon.

Sister Mabelle Klopfenstein of Longmont writes as follows: "I am starting out this week with a full determination to do my best to help carry the message to the people. I especially need your prayers."

Brother Meade MacGuire, who has been laboring at Palisade for some time, is now located at Grand Junction. He has ordered thirty sets of "The Family Bible Teacher," and expects to push the work earnestly.

Miss Ruth Knudson is spending her vacation with friends and relatives in Iowa. We hope the summer may be a pleasant one, and that she will return in the fall strong and rugged, and ready for her school work.

We urge all to get a copy of the special number of *The Union College Messenger* containing the talks and papers given at the Young People's Convention, recently held at College View. Price, 10 cents. It will pay you.

Sister G. W. Colcord, who has been for some months in Iowa and Illinois, has returned to Colorado very much improved in health. She spent a couple of days with friends in Denver last week before going to her home in Boulder.

Miss Celia Green made a short visit to Boulder and Greeley last week to visit home folks, and to be present at the graduating exercises of the Boulder High School, which has in its class roll of 1904 the name of Miss Gertrude Reed.

The secretary of the Sabbath-school recently organized at Estancia, New Mexico, writes that their number is increasing and that their courage is good. They desire the prayers of God's people in behalf of the work in Estancia.

Marcial Serna of Phoenix, Ariz., renews his subscription to ECHOES, and says: "We send our love to the Colorado Conference. The Lord Bless you in all your work." We trust the Lord is blessing Brother Serna in his labors for the Spanish people.

Miss Louise Wyss, who has been attending Union College the past year, returned to her home in Denver last Friday. She had been intending to attend the Teachers' Summer School, but was called home on account of sickness in her family.

Orders are coming in almost every day for "The Family Bible Teacher," and many of our ministers and Bible workers are using them. Almost every one could do missionary work in this way, even though very busy. Why not order a few sets and try it.

Brethren C. L. Benson and O. J. Graf, of Union College, passed through Denver last week on their way to Grand Junction, Colo., to engage in the canvassing work. They are experienced canvassers, and we hope they will meet with good success in their new field.

Last Sabbath was children's day in the Denver church, and was much enjoyed by the young people, all of whom took some part in the exercises. The church was decorated with flowers tastefully arranged. We were glad to have the Fruitdale Sabbath-school meet with us on this occasion. Come again.

We notice that quite a number of clubs of *The Signs of the Times* are expiring without being renewed, and we earnestly hope that no individual or church will permit their club to be discontinued in this important time. Let us work as never before to carry the truth to the people before it is too late.

Again we invite our librarians, Sabbath-school secretaries, church elders, canvassers and workers throughout our conference to send us items of interest and words of encouragement for our State paper. Please do not forget, brethren and sisters, that all are interested in the work in your part of the conference and will be glad to know of the progress of the truth in every place. Let us hear from you.

Quite a little excitement has been aroused at Rocky Ford over the Sabbath controversy. Some of the ministers in the town having taken strong positions against the seventh-day Sabbath, and made the statement that Father Enright had withdrawn his offer of \$1,000.00 for Bible proof for the Sunday sabbath, a Mr. France wrote to Father Enright to know if this is true. We publish in another column the reply from Father Enright.